

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Member

SUBJECT: INCLUSION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) ROLE IN THE DISTRICT'S EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES PLANNING PROCESS

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

It is desirable and in the best interest for the District to coordinate the planning of new educational facilities with the planning and construction of transportation projects to ensure that, wherever possible, adequate road capacity is available concurrent with the construction of educational facilities. This coordination will not only foster cooperation among public entities, but also optimize the leveraging and use of public resources. The beneficiaries will be the children and the community at-large.

It is therefore this item's recommendation that the District develop a systematic planning process that will provide for participation by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the District's Educational Facilities Planning process.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. PERLA TABARES HANTMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. recognize the importance of the need for coordinating the planning of new educational facilities with the planning and construction of transportation projects;
2. request the Superintendent or designee to coordinate with appropriate staff of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to develop a systematic process that provides for participation by the MPO in the District's Educational Facilities Planning process; and
3. submit said process to the MPO Board for their consideration and adoption.