

Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Member

SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF HIALEAH FOR FUNDING AND CONSTRUCTION BY THE CITY OF A PARKING STRUCTURE ON SCHOOL-BOARD OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO HIALEAH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, FOR JOINT USE BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE CITY

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

**LINK TO
STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**

City of Hialeah Mayor Julio Robaina has approached the School District with a proposal that would entail construction by the City of Hialeah (City), of a parking structure on vacant School Board owned land located adjacent to Hialeah Senior High School (High School). The property in question which consists of five lots (site) with a collective area of approximately 0.82 acres, was previously developed as single-family residential and purchased by the School Board in stages approximately eight years ago; the site is directly adjacent to the High School Auditorium, which was built through a grant from Miami-Dade County (County). Likewise, the City's proposal to build the referenced parking garage as well as one other parking structure in the immediate area would be entirely funded through an allocation from the County.

The City's proposal comes in the wake of an ambitious redevelopment project to create a cultural arts hub at Milander Park, which is located only a short walking distance from the High School. The City's plan envisions among other amenities a pedestrian connector between the High School and the proposed cultural arts hub, and major renovations to many of the existing community recreational facilities presently at Milander Park. Construction of the proposed off-street parking structure on the site would create an opportunity for joint use by the Board and the City, e.g. the Board would have access to the parking structure during school hours and in connection with special events scheduled by the High School in its auditorium, and the City would have access to the parking structure at generally all other times.

In order to capitalize on the immediate availability of funding for this project, and the benefits to both the School Board and the City, I request the School Board's support with this item which seeks to authorize the Superintendent to further negotiate and

execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Hialeah and if necessary with the County, to effectuate this partnership.

This item does not appear on the published agenda. There exists good cause to vary from the published agenda so that the Board can address this matter at its November 20, 2007, meeting, rather than at a later Board meeting, at which time funding for this project may be uncertain.

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

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Hialeah for funding and construction by the City of a parking structure on School Board-owned property located adjacent to Hialeah Senior High School, for joint use by the School District and the City.