

Office of School Facilities
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SUBJECT: RECEIPT OF THE 2010 CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY PLANNING IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY/STABILITY

Background

The Citizens Oversight Committee (Committee) was originally established in 2004, in accordance with the 2002 Growth Management Legislation, and re-affirmed under the auspices of the Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning in Miami-Dade County (ILA). The Committee's primary role is to monitor implementation of the ILA, including reporting on its effectiveness to participating local governments and making recommendations for improvements, as may be appropriate.

Additional Information

The Committee is comprised of eighteen (18) representatives: nine (9) appointed by the School Board; five (5) appointed by Miami-Dade County (County); and four (4) appointed by the Miami-Dade League of Cities. Since its establishment in 2004, the Committee has issued four reports to the School Board and all participating local governments covering the period of 2003 through 2009. The Committee has now issued its fifth report for calendar year 2010 (Report). During that period the Committee met three times, and its focus was primarily on implementation of school concurrency by all non-exempt entities covered under the statutes, and other related topics such as the status of the proposed revisions to the educational facilities impact fee ordinance.

The Committee's main finding, as noted in the Report, is that the Interlocal Agreement is an effective planning tool for collaboration between the School Board and its local government partners, and that much progress has been made towards full implementation of school concurrency. Over the coming months, the Committee will continue to monitor progress in this area to ensure full compliance is achieved by the remaining non-exempt municipalities during 2011.

The Report can be viewed at:

http://facilities.dadeschools.net/citizens/COC_annual_rpt_10.pdf

In addition, a copy of the Report is on file in the Office of the Board Recording Secretary and the Citizen Information Center.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the 2010 Citizens Oversight Committee Annual Report, under the provisions of the Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning in Miami-Dade County.

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