

MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #16

DATE:

DECEMBER 6, 2010

TO:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM:

STAFF

SUBJECT:

CORRESPONDENCE AND ATTENDANCE FORM

Information only.

ATTENDANCE RECORD - 2010

	1/4	2/1	3/1	4/5	5/3	6/7	7/12	8/2**	9/13	10/4	11/8	
ASSEFF, Patricia	P	СС	P	P	P	*	P		P	P	P	
Governor's Appointee												
BARREIRO, Bruno Miami-Dade Co. Commission	_	-	*	*	P	P	A		*	P	*	
BATES, Margaret Vice Mayor, Lauderhill	P	*	P	*	P	P	P		A	P	*	
BLYNN, Michael Councilman, North Miami	P	P	*	P	P	*	P		P	P	*	
BROOK, Scott	СС	СС	P	*	P	*	P		P	*	P	
Governor's Appointee		*		-				<u> </u>			<u> </u>	
CARRUTHERS, Heather Monroe County Commission	P	*	P	СС	P	P	P		CC	cc	P	
GUNZBURGER, Suzanne Broward County Commission	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
KELLEY, Joseph Mayor, City of Opa-Locka	P	P	P	A	P	P	P		P	P	A	
LIEBERMAN, Ilene	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		*	P	*	
Broward County Commission												
NEUGENT, George	P	P	P	*	P	*	P		*	*	P	
Monroe County Commission				ļ							ļ	
PEREZ, Marta	P	P	P	P	P	*	*		*	-	-	
Governor's Appointee						<u> </u>						
RIESCO, Jose Governor's Appointee	P	P	*	*	*	P	*		P	P	*	
RITTER, Stacy Mayor, Broward County	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	
SCUOTTO, Joseph Deputy Mayor, Sunrise	P	P	P	P	P	P	CC	P	P	*	P	
SOSA, Rebeca Miami-Dade Co. Commission	-	_	*	P	*	P	P		*	P	P	
SORENSON, Katy Miami-Dade Co. Commission	P	P	P	Р	P	P	P		P	P	P	
WALLACE, Paul	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		A	P	P	
Governor's Appointee					1					_		
WALTERS, Sandra	P	P	P	P	СС	P	P	CC	P	P	СС	
Governor's Appointee										:		
WEEKLEY, Jimmy Commissioner, Key West	_	-	-	-	-	*	P		P	P	P	

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Ex Officio Members –												
DONN, Gary	*	P	P	P	*	*	A		A	A	A	
Florida Dept. of Trans.								ļ				
GRAY, Tim	P	P	*	P	P	P	P		P	P	-	
Dept. of Environmental												
Protection												
TAYLOR, Norman Broward County Office of Economic Development	-	-		-	P	*	P		P	A	A	
WATERS, Bert SFWMD	P	P	P	P	P	D	P		P	P	P	

P = Present

A = Absent

D = Designee Present

* = Excused Absence

- = Not Yet Appointed

CC = Via Conference Call

^{**} Please note - July & August Meetings Executive Committee Only

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PLEASE REPLY TO FORT LAUDERDALE

November 12, 2010

Carolyn Dekle, Executive Director South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 S. Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140 Hollywood, FL 33321

Re: South Florida Regional Planning Council ("SFRPC") / Attorney General Opinion Letter of Approval- Independent Contractor Professional Services Employment Contract ("Agreement")

Dear Carolyn:

I am pleased to forward the attached letter of approval from Assistant Deputy Attorney General Douglas B. Macinnes with the Office of the Attorney General dated November 12, 2010 which confirms my law firm's engagement for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. This is a good result for the South Florida Regional Planning Council in its ability to hire its own legal counsel.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel S. Goren General Counsel

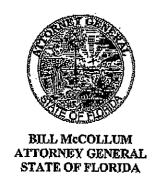
Enclosure(s)

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cc: Joseph Scuotto, Chair and Members of the Council Carolyn Dekle, Executive Director

Rhonda Noah, Chief Administrative Manager



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November 12, 2010

Ms. Carolyn Dekle Executive Director South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 South Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140 Hollywood, Florida 33021

Dear Ms. Dekle:

Your November 4, 2010 request, along with a statement of waiver (received in this office November 12, 2010) to enter into a new contract with the law firm of Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol, P.A., through September 30, 2011, is approved pursuant to Section 287.059, Florida Statutes. Please note that this office has not determined the legality of the contract, nor has it been reviewed for the purpose of determining the appropriateness of the counsel selected or the fee arrangement, other than to insure compliance with the standard fee schedule required by Section 287.059(6), Florida Statutes, and Rule 2-37.030, F.A.C., and to determine whether this office can provide such services more cost effectively. Additionally, please note that Rule 2-37.030 generally limits paralegal/law clerk fees to \$40 per hour; however, your statement of waiver authorizes exceeding the paralegal rate if you choose to proceed with the contract as requested.

The private legal services requested are for the representation of the South Florida Regional Planning Council regarding all facets of the Council's activities. In light of outside counsel's familiarity with the Council's activities, it appears more cost effective to remain with Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol. The total contract amount, including fees and costs, is limited to \$76,750. If it appears necessary to exceed such amount, prior approval from this office is required.

After the contract has been fully executed, please forward a copy to Sue Watkins. Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, PL-01, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050.

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Please note that the contract should comply with subsection 287.059(11), Florida Statutes, which requires you to use the standard addendum developed by this office (copy enclosed).

Sincere

Douglas B. Macinnes Assistant Deputy Attorney General

DBM/psw

Enclosure

CC: Mark Merry, Department of Financial Services Staff



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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THOMAS G. PELHAM Secretary

November 9, 2010

Carolyn Dekle, Executive Director South Florida Regional Planning Council 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140 Hollywood, Florida 33021

Dear Ms. Dekle:

Congratulations on your Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant award for the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership, received in conjunction with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. Hopefully, this will usher in a new era in regional planning which is needed in Florida. If the Department can be of any assistance in this exciting new venture, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas G. Pelham

Secretary

TGP/sc



BILL NELSON FLORIDA

October 20, 2010

Ms. Carolyn Dekle Executive Director South Florida Planning Council 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140 Hollywood, Florida 33021

Dear Ms. Dekle:

Congratulations on being awarded the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program in the amount of \$4,250.000. Your dedication is appreciated and laudable.

Sinderely, Wallow

Best wishes for continued success.