

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE 2019 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA IN SUPPORT OF THE VILLAGE PRIORITIES FOR THE UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Sponsored by Mayor Karyn Cunningham)

WHEREAS, the Village Council has developed a Legislative Agenda that supports the priorities of the Village of Palmetto Bay for the 2019 Legislative session; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Council desire to lobby the State Legislature to consider and address these priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village Council hereby approves its 2019 Legislative Agenda, as further detailed in Sections 2, 3, and 4 below.

Section 2: The Village Council hereby supports and approves the following priorities for funding and takes positions to support certain legislative policies as follows:

A. Supporting legislation that provides funding for traffic calming projects and public transit improvements and extensions for Miami-Dade County;

B. Requesting funding for South Florida Water Management District specifically for canal bank restoration to address the critical erosion needs in the Village of Palmetto Bay;

C. Maximizing all available appropriation and funding opportunities to implement storm water and other needed infrastructure projects throughout the Village;

1 D. Supporting any legislation and requesting funding assistance
2 and partnership opportunities that support the age friendly city initiatives
3 and the development of unique opportunities for individuals with special
4 needs;

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6 E. Support any legislation requesting funding assistance and
7 partnership opportunities for projects that enhance mobility and create a
8 network of interconnected lanes in support of bicycle and pedestrian
9 activity within the Village;

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11 F. Seeking funding assistance for the Village's FRDAP and other
12 such FDEP projects to address park capital improvements and park
13 property acquisitions.

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15 G. Seeking relief from homeowner insurance rates which is slated
16 to increase by 8.2%, substantially higher than what most residents can
17 afford, the Village supports and requests rate relief and reforms.

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19 H. The Village supports and requests that the State of Florida
20 provides wage increases to all State employees in Miami-Dade County,
21 by recognizing that the cost of living in South Florida is substantially higher
22 than rural areas of Florida. Through this request, the State can keep its
23 employees longer and not lose the training and knowledge accumulated
24 by them.

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26 I. The Village requests funding for mental health funding for
27 children of school age. Statistics show that 1 in 5 children have
28 emotional problems that can lead to other issues later in life. The Village
29 supports increasing school funding for mental health issues to protect our
30 children.

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32 J. The Village requests funding for Deering Foundation
33 ecological Program to upgrade facility and provide a scientific base for
34 exploration.

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36 **Section 3:** The Village Council hereby supports and approves the
37 Miami-Dade County Public Schools 2019 State Legislative priorities, as
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A. Increase the Base Student Allocation (BAS) by five percent;

B. Modify the District Cost Differential so that it considers cost differences integral to educational institutions' operations reflecting such costs as average teacher salaries, health insurance for employees, property insurance per FTE, housing, and transportation costs per FTE;

C. Fully funding the cost of assigning a School Resource Officer to each public school as required by law;

D. Extending the authorization of the locally-voted levy for operating purposes from 4 years to 10 years.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 4th day of February 2019.

Attest:	DocuSigned by: <i>Missy Arocha</i> <hr/> <small>6ED941E5854BC</small>	DocuSigned by: <i>Karyn Cunningham</i> <hr/> <small>35B93CD2D1CE27D</small>
	Missy Arocha Village Clerk	Karyn Cunningham Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA ONLY:

DocuSigned by: <i>Dexter W. Lehtinen</i> <hr/> <small>59C1657137745...</small>
Dexter W. Lehtinen Village Attorney

1	FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:	
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3	Council Member Patrick Fiore	<u>YES</u>
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5	Council Member David Singer	<u>YES</u>
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7	Council Member Marsha Matson	<u>YES</u>
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9	Vice-Mayor John DuBois	<u>YES</u>
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11	Mayor Karyn Cunningham	<u>YES</u>