



# Broward County

## Legislation Text

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### **Broward County Commission Regular Meeting**

**Director's Name:** Bertha Henry

**Department:** County Administration

### Information

#### Requested Action

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE County Administrator to take any and all necessary actions, including execution of agreements, licenses, work authorizations, construction change orders and other administrative documents, excluding any future GMPs, including GMPs 4, 5 & 6, by Matthews Holdings Southwest, Inc., the Weitz Company, Florida Power and Light (FP&L), Omni Hotels and Resorts and any other relevant vendors for the continuation of the current and future phases of the Convention Center Expansion and Headquarters Hotel project (Project) while the Board of County Commissioners is not in session during the 2021 summer recess; subject to final review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney.

#### Why Action is Necessary

Board of County Commissioners' approval is required to delegate authority to the County Administrator to enter into agreements, execute work authorizations and amendments and other administrative documents with a dollar value that are in excess of the Purchasing Director's authority.

#### What Action Accomplishes

Authorizes the County Administrator to take actions as may be deemed necessary for the Project while the Board of County Commissioners is not in session to expedite approvals of various agreements, licenses, work authorizations, construction change orders and other administrative documents as might be required to further progress on construction of the Project; to obtain approvals necessary for the next phases of work in the Project; ensures continuity of service by the contractor, design consultant and Owner's Representative; and expedite authorization of work necessary for the next phases of the Project.

#### Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

#### Previous Action Taken

April 26, 2016 Regular Meeting (Item No. 35), May 10, 2016 Regular Meeting (Item No. 35), August 16, 2016 Regular Meeting (Item No. 95), November 1, 2016 Regular Meeting (Item No. 34), April 4, 2017 Regular Meeting (Item No. 43), October 3, 2017 Regular Meeting (Item No. 32), February 27, 2018 Regular Meeting (Item No. 61), August 14, 2018 Regular Meeting (Item No. 102), January 8, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 56), April 16, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 36), June 11, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 78), August 27, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 44), November 5, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 77), December 10, 2019 Regular Meeting (Item No. 50), May 19, 2020

Regular Meeting (Item No. 55), June 16, 2020 Regular Meeting (Item No. 80), October 20, 2020 Regular Meeting (Item No. 58), November 10, 2020 Regular Meeting (Item No. 89), April 6, 2021 Regular Meeting (Items No. 47 & 48)

### **Summary Explanation/Background**

This agenda item supports the Board's goal of increased economic strength and impact of revenue generating County enterprises balancing economic, environmental, and community needs.

The West Expansion of the Project has been under construction and is slated to reach substantial completion by October 2021. Pending Board approval of Item No. 105 on this agenda, work will begin on the remaining phases of the Project, starting with the foundation work for the Headquarters Hotel. The enabling authority for actions necessary to keep the Project moving may rise to a level above that of the Purchasing Director and require Board of County Commissioners' approval. As some of these actions may also time sensitive, delegation of the Board of County Commissioners' approval to the County Administrator during the upcoming 2021 summer break will ensure expedient completion of those tasks.

The proposed Motion will authorize the County Administrator to execute agreements, licenses, work authorizations, construction change orders and other administrative documents as may be necessary to obtain permits and other jurisdictional approvals and to expedite services needed for completion of the current and future phases of the Project during the Board of County Commissioners' 2021 summer break. This motion is presented as a contingency measure in order to avoid project delays.

The Board will be notified of any action taken and the reason thereto.

### **Source of Additional Information**

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### **Fiscal Impact**

#### **Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary**

There are no fiscal impacts to Broward County at this time.