



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Mark D. Bogen

Department: County Commission

Information

Requested Action

A. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2021-336 waiving Section 18.43(c) of the Broward County Administrative Code ("Administrative Code") in order to consider naming the complex trial and ceremonial courtroom on the 17th floor of the Broward County Judicial Complex, located at 201 SE Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 ("County Courtroom"), in honor of 17th Judicial Circuit Chief Judge Jack B. Tuter, Jr. ("Judge Tuter").

ACTION: (T-12:17 PM) The Board approved bifurcation of Part A of this item. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 8-1. Commissioner Bogen dissented.

ACTION: (T-12:25 PM) Following discussion and without objection, the Board deferred this item until the next Commission Meeting. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

B. MOTION TO NOTE FOR THE RECORD that the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") will consider the approval of a Resolution naming the County Courtroom in honor of Judge Tuter at the meeting of the Board on Tuesday, August 17, 2021.

ACTION: (T-12:25 PM) Following discussion and without objection, the Board deferred this item until the next Commission Meeting. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

C. MOTION TO DIRECT County Administrator to solicit the input of at least three local municipalities, homeowners' associations, or other appropriate community groups regarding the Board's proposal to name the County Courtroom in honor of Judge Tuter, as required under Section 18.43(i) of the Administrative Code. (Commissioner Bogen)

ACTION: (T-12:25 PM) Following discussion and without objection, the Board deferred this item until the next Commission Meeting. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

Why Action is Necessary

Motion A is necessary to waive the Administrative Code provision that would otherwise prohibit the naming of property, facilities, or buildings after living persons; Motions B and C, which address public notice and input, are required to accomplish the naming.

What Action Accomplishes

Enables the Board to consider the referenced naming on August 17, 2021.

Is this Action Goal Related

No

Previous Action Taken

Summary Explanation/Background

This item proposes that the Board of County Commissioners consider naming the complex trial and ceremonial courtroom on the seventeenth floor of the Broward County Judicial Complex, located at 201 SE Sixth Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301 ("County Courtroom"), in honor of 17th Judicial Circuit Chief Judge Jack B. Tuter, Jr. ("Judge Tuter").

Judge Tuter has served on the 17th Judicial Circuit since 2005. In 2017, Judge Tuter was elected Chief Judge. His responsibilities include, among others, ensuring the efficient and proper administration of the circuit and county courts in Broward County, directing the court's daily affairs, implementing a plan for the prompt disposition of cases, assigning judges and other court officers, controlling the dockets, regulating the courtrooms, and reviewing the status of inmates in the county jail.

Section 18.43 of the Broward County Administrative Code ("Administrative Code") establishes the Board's policies for naming property, buildings, structures, or facilities.

This item (1) adopts a Resolution waiving Section 18.43(c) of the Administrative Code, which precludes naming County-owned properties, buildings, or facilities after living persons; (2) provides notice that the proposed designation of the County Courtroom will be on a future Board agenda, as is required in Section 18.43(h) of the Administrative Code; and (3) directs the County Administrator to solicit community input from three local municipalities, homeowners' associations, or other appropriate community groups.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

The Fiscal Impact Statement by the Office of Management and Budget will be provided at the time this item is further considered in August 2021.