

Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

February 8, 2018



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<u>February 8, 2018</u> Miami Springs Golf and County Club 650 Curtiss Parkway Miami Springs, FL 33166 Immediate Past President
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Mayor, Opa-Locka Hon. Eugene Flinn

Mayor, Palmetto Bay Hon. James E. McDonald Councilmember, Pinecrest Hon. Gabriel Edmond

6:00 p.m. Reception -	7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting

WELCOMING REMARKS:

President **Oliver G. Gilbert, III,** Mayor, City of Miami Gardens

1. INVOCATION:

Councilman **Jaime Petralanda**, City of Miami Springs

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilwoman Mara Zapata, City of Miami Springs

3. MINUTES: January 11, 2018

- 4. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - 1. Monthly Disbursement
- **5.** HOST CITY PRESENTATION:

Mayor **Billy Bain,** City of Miami Springs

6. CITT TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT:

President **Oliver G. Gilbert, III,** Mayor, City of Miami Gardens

7. PROJECT ADVISORY GROUP FOR THE SOUTH CORRIDOR (SMART) PLAN:

Board Member **James McDonald**, Councilmember, Village of Pinecrest Chair, MDCLC-Transportation Committee

8. MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DAYS REPORT:

First Vice President **Jordan W. Leonard,** Mayor, Town of Bay Harbor Islands

9. JACKSON BOND CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. **Chad Friedman, Esq.** Attorney, Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT:

Richard Kuper, Esq.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

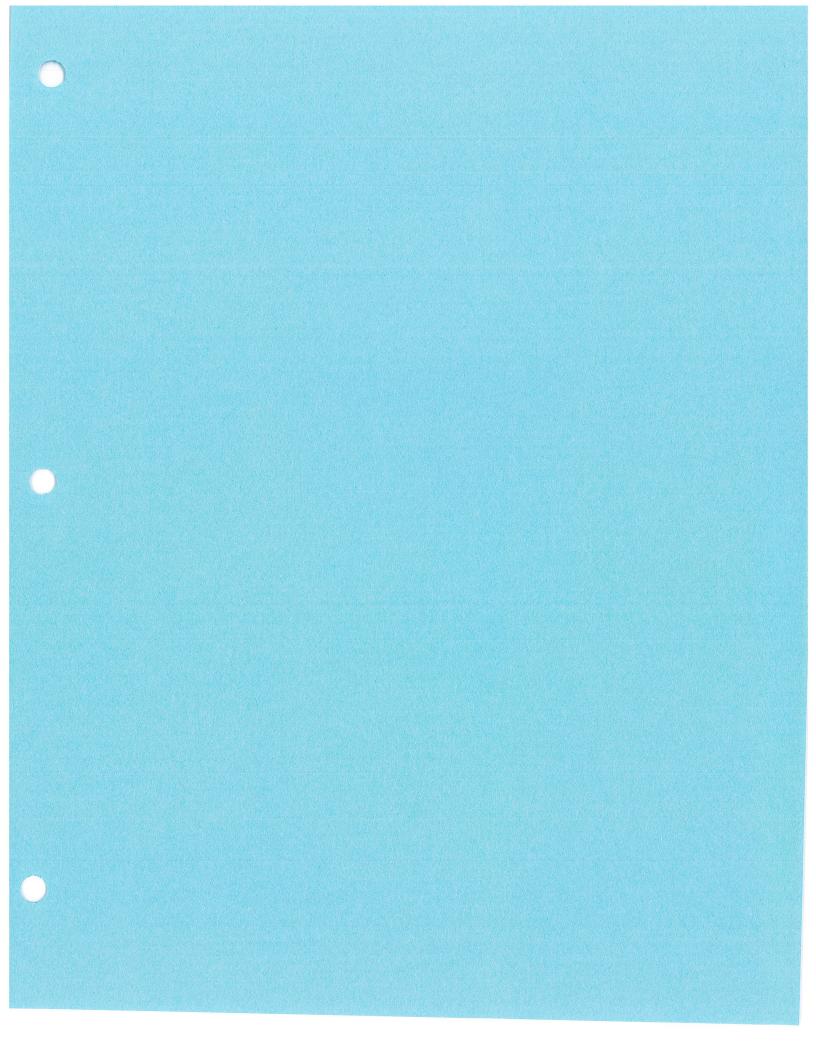
Coconut Grove Arts Festival: February 17, 18, 19, 2018
Location: 2700 S. Bayshore Drive
Miami, FL 33133

➤ Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, March 1, 2018
Location: Town of Cutler Bay Town Hall
10720 Caribbean Blvd., Penthouse
Cutler Bay, Florida 33189

➤ 2018 TPO General Assembly: Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Location: JLKC/Hyatt Regency Miami Riverfront South Hall 400 South East Second Avenue Miami, FL 33131

SAVE THE DATE: MDCLC 64th Annual Gala - Saturday, May 12, 2018
Location: Hilton Miami Airport Hotel
5101 Blue Lagoon Drive
Miami, FL 33126

12. ADJOURNMENT





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Minutes

January 11, 2018 The Dezer Miami Auto Museum

Executive Director Richard Kuper, MDCLC, called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. Mr. Kuper thanked Ms. Sandy Vallejo for coordinating this month's board meeting. He also thanked the evening's sponsors: Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr, Mystic Force Foundation, Nicklaus Children's Hospital, Miami Auto Museum, Catering by Susan Bleamer, United Services, Inc., DJ Kat Lane, and Amazing Events. Mr. Kuper then asked President Oliver Gilbert, III, Mayor, City of Miami Gardens to continue the meeting.

President **Gilbert** asked for a motion to approve the minutes and the consent agenda. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

President **Gilbert** introduced Commissioner **Marlen Martell**, City of North Miami Beach, to give the invocation.

Commissioner **Anthony DeFillipo**, City of North Miami Beach, lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President **Gilbert** then introduced Councilman **Alix Desulme**, City of North Miami. Councilman Desulme welcomed all and thanked everyone in attendance and the League on behalf of the Mayor and City Council of North Miami for visiting their city. Councilman Desulme then shared all of the amenities available in North Miami, which include the Museum of Contemporary Arts, Colleges and Universities near by, and more. He thanked everyone again and asked that everyone come back to visit.

President Gilbert then introduced Second Vice President George Vallejo, Mayor, City of North Miami Beach. Second Vice President Vallejo recognized all of the sponsors and asked that Mrs. Silvia Vanni and Dr.

Steven Vanni of the Mystic Force Foundation to give the sponsors presentation. Mrs. Vanni shared information on their Foundation and how they are striving to end Childhood Cancer. She told her touching story of why she wishes to help end childhood cancer and her motivation to do so, she briefly discussed the severity of treatment and targeted forms of therapy. Mrs. Vanni asked that everyone help spread awareness about ending childhood cancer, research and funding, and the importance of both. The Vanni's on behalf of the Foundation will be asking for municipal proclamations during the months of July and August to bring awareness to the fact that September is Childhood Cancer month.

Executive Director Richard Kuper then gave his Executive Director's report. Mr. Kuper introduced the Executive Board Members present: President Oliver Gilbert, III, Miami Gardens, First Vice President Jordan Leonard, Bay Harbor Islands, Second Vice President George Vallejo, North Miami Beach, Secretary Claudia Cubillos, El Portal, Treasurer Keon Hardemon, Chairman of the City Commission, Miami. Board Members present: Commissioner Howard Weinberg, Aventura, Assistant Mayor Seth Salver, Bal Harbour, Councilman Robert Yaffe, Bay Harbor Islands, Mayor Tracy Truppman, Biscayne Park, Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez, Doral, Councilman Harold Mathis, El Portal, Susie Castillo, MDCPS, Commissioner Micky Steinberg, Miami Beach, Councilwoman Felicia Robinson, Miami Gardens, Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez, Miami Lakes, Councilman Alix Desulme, North Miami, Commissioner Anthony DeFillipo, North Miami Beach, Commissioner Michael Karukin, Surfside, Councilman Richard Block, Virginia Gardens. Past Presidents present: Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez, Doral, Councilman Isaac Salver, Bay Harbor Islands, Richard Steinberg, Miami Beach. City Managers present: Krishan Manners, Biscayne Park, Edward Rojas, Doral, Ana M. Garcia, North Miami Beach, Christopher Russo, Sunny Isles Beach, Deputy Manager Albert Childress, Doral. City Clerks present: Marilane Lima, Indian Creek, Deputy Clerk Roseann Prado, Indian Creek. City Attorney's present: Daniel Espino, Doral, Norman Powell, North Bay Village, Hans Ottinot, Sunny Isles Beach. Judge present: Linda Singer Stein, County Court. Former State Sen. present: Miguel Diaz de la Portilla. Associate Members present: American Traffic Solutions, Orlando Torres, Bank United, Axel Lacau, Raphael Garcia, Baptist Health south Florida, Maria Luis Gonzaelz, Brown & Brown of Florida, Robert Hollander, Jake Scaduto, C.A.P. Government, Inc., Carlos Penin, Raul Rodriguez, Jose Miranda, Marc Jean, Gedel Merzius, CPH, Inc., Todd Hendix, Enterprise Fleet Management, Jesus Granadillo, Hialeah Park, Vivian Casals- Muñoz, Levy & Associates, Miguel Mirabal, Esq., Miccosukee Tribe of Indians, Gabriel Osceola, Talbert Cypress, Verizon Wireless, Pamela Galban, Marilynn Vallori, Weiss Serota Helfman..., Dan Espino, Ashley Daniels, Jihan "Gigi" Soliman. New Associate Member present: Nova Southeastern University, Ronald Grothpietz.

Mr. Kuper thanked everyone for their donations for our Eleventh Annual Toy Drive and shared what a success it was. He then mentioned that Dade-Days would be taking place on January 31st and February 1st, he encouraged all to register and attend. He reminded the elected official's to be aware of all the pre-emption laws the State Representatives and Senators are proposing. He further asked them to contact their respective members of the legislature to advocate against pre-emption bills. Additionally, he reminded them to be in communication with their municipal legislative consultants so that they can further assist with these efforts.

First Vice President Jordan W. Leonard, Mayor, Town of Bay Harbor Islands, gave a brief summary of the League priorities which include: Red Light Cameras (Oppose – Preemption),

Community Redevelopment Agencies (Oppose – Preemption), Tree Trimming and Removal (Oppose – Preemption), and more, along with the MDCPS priorities, are included in this year's MDCLC 2018 Legislative Action agenda. Vice President Leonard asked that everyone take the initiative to call your legislators and advocate for your local government rights. He then informed everyone that the Legislative Action agenda's will be available online, during Dade-Days, and will be sent via U.S. mail.

Councilman Isaac Salver, Town of Bay Harbor Islands gave a Children's Trust Committee report. Councilman Salver mentioned that for the past 15 years the Children's Trust mission is to partner with the community to plan, advocate for and fund strategic investments that improve the lives of all children and families in Miami-Dade County. Throughout the last 15 year's, The Children's Trust has serviced 570,000 children, youth, parents, and caregivers and have benefitted them through trust funded service programs. 33, 641 children and youth benefit from a wide variety of afterschool, summer, and enrichment programs that boost academics, encourage creativity and foster the development of critical life skills. The Children's Trust also has clinics within Miami-Dade County Public Schools; they distribute books and increase academics through a program called *Read to Learn* and many more programs. The Children's Trust has even helped increase graduation rate. Councilman Salver thanked everyone for their time.

Mr. Kuper called up MDCPS Board member Susie Castillo to give the "Educational minute" presentation. Ms. Castillo informed everyone that graduation rate has increased to 84.2% for the 2016-2017 academic year. This marks the highest graduation rate for MDCPS since the late 1990's. Ms. Castillo announced that the MDCPS will be having attendance boundary community meetings to discuss possible boundary changes or recommendations. Ms. Castillo asked that everyone support this year's school boards legislative priorities. She thanked everyone for their support and wished everyone a Happy New year.

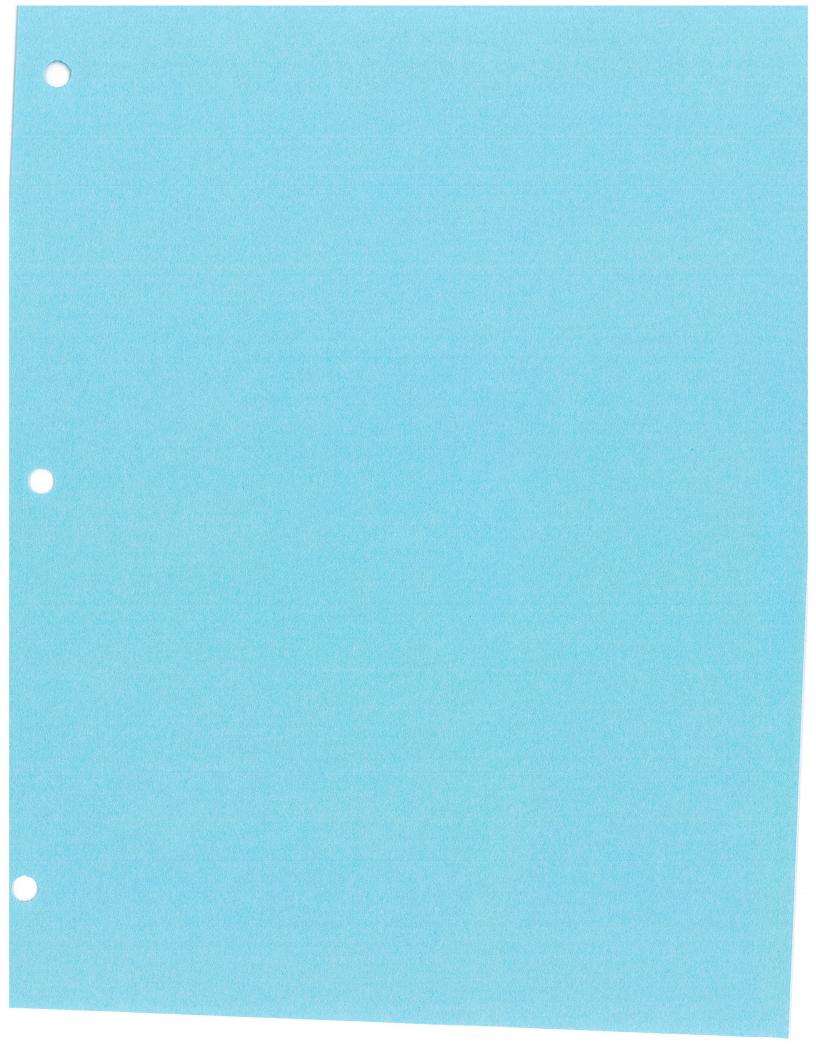
Vice President **Leonard** announced that the League will be hosting the next Board of Director's meeting on February 8, 2018, and asked that everyone save the date for the upcoming MDCLC 64th Annual Gala on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at the Hilton Miami Airport Hotel.

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES (MDCLC); SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 368 WHICH DESIGNATED A PORTION OF STATE ROAD 997/KROME AVENUE AS "ROBERT M. LEVY MEMORIAL BOULEVARD"; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m. *Summarized minutes*





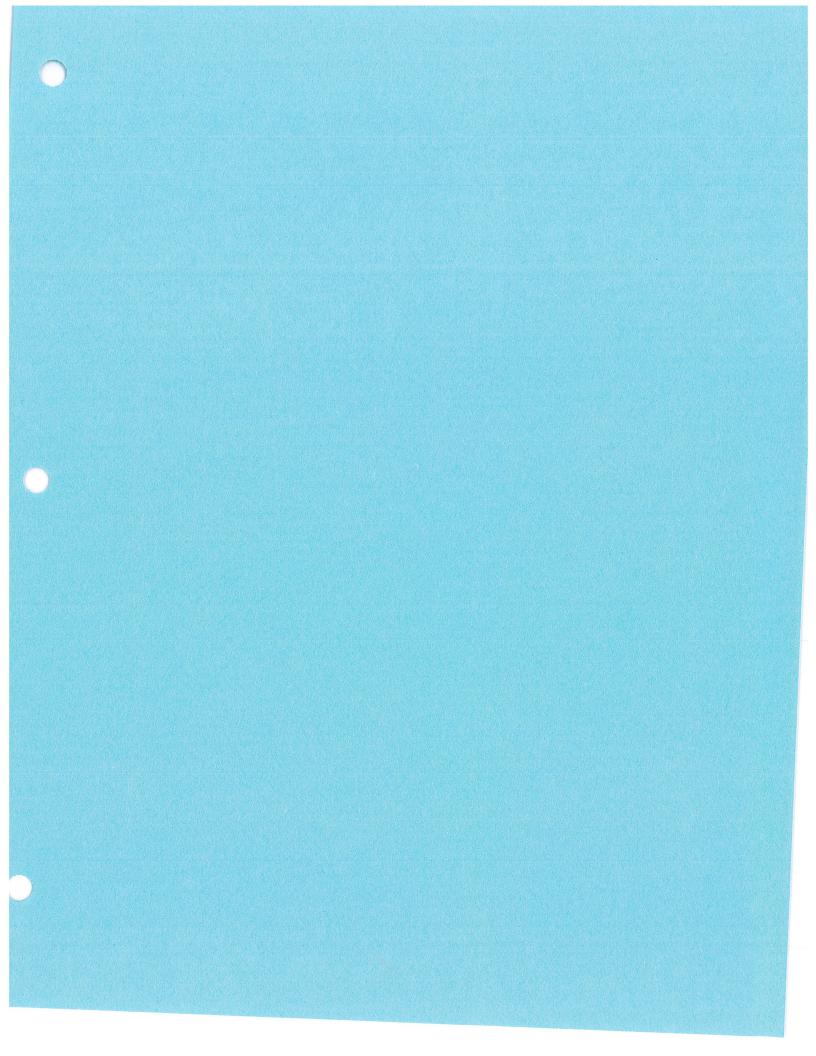
Dear MDCLC Members,

Hope to see all of you at the 55th Anniversary of the Coconut Grove Arts Festival being held February 17, 18 & 19th.

Faboulous Art, Food & Entertainment for all - Not to be missed!

Thank you for everything you do and accomplish.

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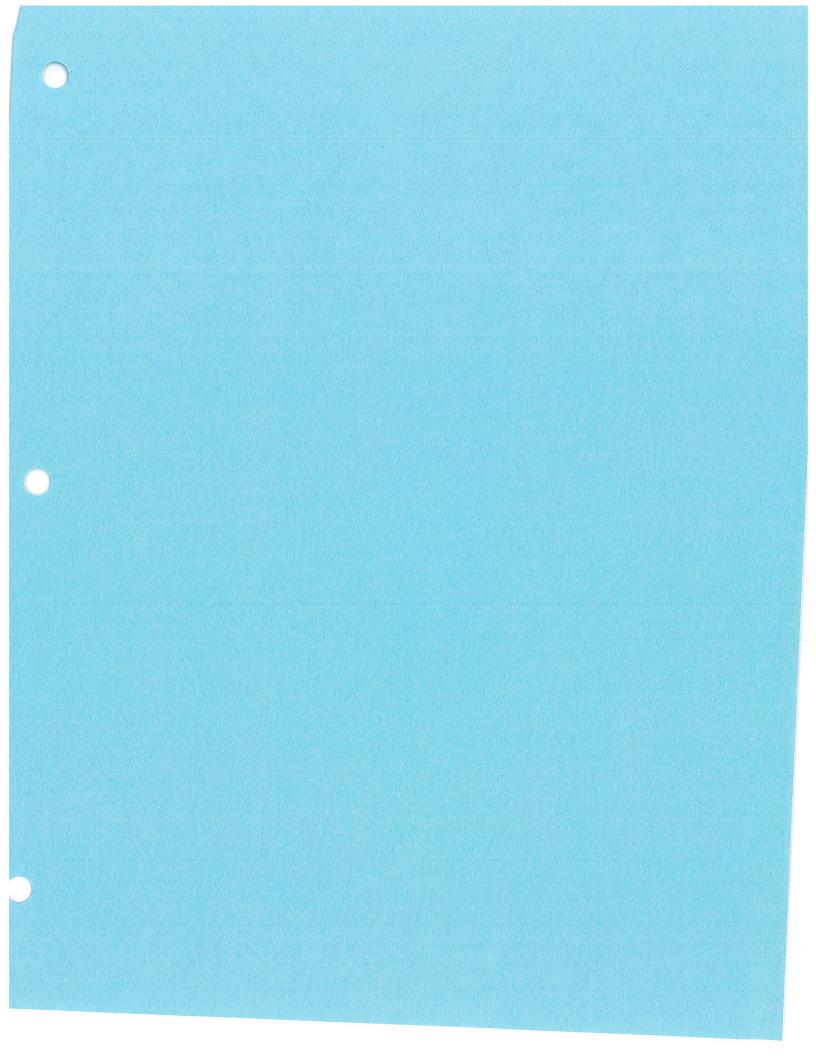
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