

RESOLUTION No. 2009-82-1027

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE "FUTURE MEN OF MIAMI GARDENS" MENTORING PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has recognized the need to develop a mentoring program for young men residing within the City of Miami Gardens, Florida, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lester Brown, along with Councilman Oliver Gilbert III, have spearheaded efforts to implement a program whereby young men, ages 11 – 15, will be able to participate in a mentoring program, and

WHEREAS, the City's Parks and Recreation Department, through the vision of Dr. Lester Brown and Councilman Oliver Gilbert III, is recommending that the City Council approve the Future Men of Miami Gardens Program for the purpose of mentoring young men, ages 11 – 15, towards social growth, career development and community service, and

WHEREAS, the Program will pair young men with a positive adult male from the community and will permit them to participate in workshops to provide the young men with the foundation to become productive men, and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Program will commence June 2009, and will last for 10 weeks, and that each week will consist of exercises designed to identify needs that will lead to participants' achieving Program goals, and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost of the Program will be Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00), and

WHEREAS, there are funds available in the Parks and Recreation Department's budget for this purpose,

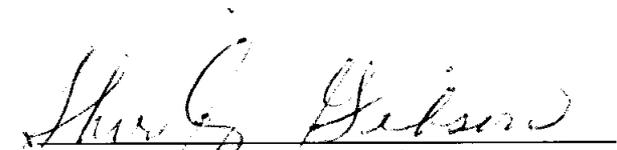
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

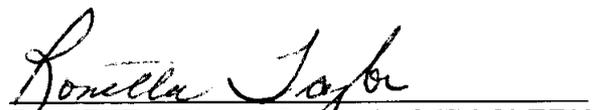
Section 2. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the City Manager to take any and all steps necessary to implement the Future Men of Miami Gardens Mentoring Program in accordance with this Resolution and to expend approximately Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) for fulfillment of the Program.

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 8, 2009.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.
City Attorney

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SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN OLIVER GILBERT, III

MOVED BY: Councilman Campbell

SECONDED BY: Councilman Williams

VOTE: 7-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman André Williams	<u> x </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)

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Council Meeting Date:	March 25, 2009		Item Type:	Resolution	Ordinance	Other		
			<small>(Enter X in box)</small>	X				
Fiscal Impact: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>		1st Reading		2nd Reading	
	X		Public Hearing: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>		Yes	No	Yes	No
						X		
Funding Source:	General Fund- Parks & Recreation		Advertising Requirement: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>		Yes		No	
							X	
Contract/P.O. Required: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	RFP/RFQ/Bid #:					
		X						
Sponsor Name	Councilmember Oliver Gilbert III		Department:		Parks and Recreation Department			

Short Title:

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Staff Summary:

Through the visions of Dr. Lester Brown, Councilman Oliver Gilbert III, and the Parks and Recreation Department *Future Men of Miami Gardens (FMMG)* is being developed to serve as a mentoring program for the young men in our community. *FMMG* mentoring program will be dedicated to providing young men, ages 11-15, an avenue for social growth, a guide to developing career goals, the value of community service, a commitment to education, and healthy living. These young men will be paired with a positive adult male from the community and together they will participate in workshops which to provide the young men with a foundation to become productive men of the future.

The *FMMG* mentoring program will start in June 2009 and last for 10 weeks. Each week will consist of exercises designed to meet identified needs that will lead to participants achieving program goals.

Some needs that have been identified are:

- Leadership Skills

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- Conflict Resolution
- Educational Commitment
- Community Service
- Career Goals
- Professional Skills
- Nutrition
- Substance Abuse Prevention

While the program is still in the planning stages, staff estimates it will cost approximately \$8,000 to execute all program components properly. This estimated amount is already allocated in the Parks and Recreation Department's budget.

Proposed Action:

Councilman Oliver Gilbert recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution, authorizing the City Manager to take any and all steps necessary to implement the Future Men of Miami Gardens mentoring program.

Attachment:

None.