

RESOLUTION No. 2009-96-1041

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, IMPLEMENTING A TIPS PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, it is important that the City of Miami Gardens provide a vehicle for residents to assist with solving crimes and crime prevention, and

WHEREAS, the TIPS Program has been identified as a resource whereby residents can provide information to the Police Department in an effort to solve and reduce crimes, and

WHEREAS, the TIPS Program relies upon information received by residents and business owners which information could be instrumental in assisting the Police Department with solving crimes, and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports the TIPS Program and would like to implement a Program within the City of Miami Gardens,

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.

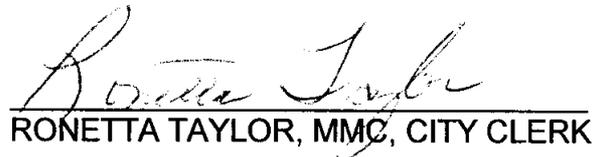
Section 2. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the City Manager to implement a TIPS Program within the City of Miami Gardens and to take any and all steps necessary to implement the Program.

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 MAY 13, 2009.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN ANDRÉ WILLIAMS

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson
SECOND BY: Councilman Gilbert

VOTE: 6-1

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

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City of Miami Gardens Agenda Cover Memo

Council Meeting Date:	May 13, 2009		Item Type:	Resolution	Ordinance	Other
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Fiscal Impact: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading:		1st Reading	
		X	<small>(Enter X in box)</small>			
			Public Hearing:		Yes	No
			<small>(Enter X in box)</small>			
Funding Source:	N/A		Advertising Requirement:		Yes	No
			<small>(Enter X in box)</small>			
Contract/P.O. Required: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	RFP/RFQ/Bid #:			
		X				
Sponsor Name	Councilman Andre Williams		Department:		Police Department	

Short Title:

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Staff Summary:

Since the inception of the Miami Gardens Police Department, information on criminal activity has been received via a variety of methods. Communication of information to the Department is paramount in solving crimes and crime prevention. In support of this mission the concept of the TIPS Program was developed to be used as yet another vehicle for the Department to receive information in furtherance of creating a safer community.

The TIPS Program will be implemented as an informational based, reward free system that will rely solely on information provided by residents and business owners. The Program will be implemented by the Police Department which will receive, track and measure the information received via the "TIPS" cards. Specific logs will be kept documenting the information that is received, actions taken and results if any. This Program is not meant to compete with Crimestoppers or the Gun Bounty Program, but instead to be another vehicle for the Police Department to receive information from the public much like information received now via telephone, letter and email.

The cost for printing the TIPS cards and corresponding literature will be incurred by a local corporate sponsor. Additionally the Miami Gardens Jaycees are supporting this program as are local homeowners associations.

**ITEM K-12) CONSENT AGENDA
RESOLUTION
TIPS program**

Proposed Action:

Councilman Andre Williams recommends that the City Council approve the implementation of the TIPS Program in the City of Miami Gardens.

Attachment:

Attachment A: Sample TIPS Flyer



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Miami Gardens Police Department
TIPS Project
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