



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 24, 2012

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution in support of adequate Homeland Security Funding and Tier I Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Designation for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI).

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The U.S. DHS allocates funding under the UASI program by calculating risk factors of designated urban areas across the United States and assigns a tier designation, either I or II. The tier status determines the amount of funding allocated to each UASI. UASIs which are recognized with a Tier I status are allocated a substantially greater amount of federal funding under this vital homeland security program. The Miami-Ft. Lauderdale UASI is designated as Tier II. The Miami-Ft. Lauderdale UASI has been working diligently to secure a review of the Miami-Ft. Lauderdale UASI by U.S. DHS and subsequent Tier I designation. This designation may be authorized by the Secretary of the U.S. DHS.

The support of the Coral Gables City Commission would be significant in this effort to secure the Tier I status for the Miami-Ft. Lauderdale UASI and resulting increase in federal funds. This support would communicate the Coral Gables City Commission commitment to secure the resources this UASI needs and deserves to safeguard the citizens, visitors, and infrastructure of this large and complex four county urban area.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: (If Applicable)

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.			
Total:		APPROVED BY:	

APPROVED BY:

Department Director	City Attorney (If Applicable)	City Manager

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution