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## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Kathie G. Brooks, Interim City Manager

DATE: October 24, 2012

SUBJECT: **REFERRAL TO THE FINANCE AND CITYWIDE PROJECTS COMMITTEE, A DISCUSSION REGARDING DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

### ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

Refer the matter to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee for discussion.

### BACKGROUND

Equipment or vehicles that are considered surplus have been fully depreciated and are no longer in use by the associated department.

Pursuant to Section 2-315(c) of Miami Beach City Code, the City Manager or his designee shall have the authority to sell all surplus stock to the highest responsible bidder that has become unsuitable for public use. Additionally, the City Manager or his designee shall have the authority to donate surplus stock to another governmental entity, agency, or not-for-profit organization without placing the surplus stock for public sale if the donation serves a charitable or public purpose, the donation is in the best interest of the city, and the value does not exceed a replacement value of \$25,000.

The City Manager put a policy in place in March 2010 which outlines the process for handling surplus equipment as it pertains to an auction. It basically states that as new replacement vehicles arrive, the older ones are returned to Fleet Management who in conjunction with Procurement, contacts an auctioneer to facilitate disposing of the equipment resulting in revenue for the City. Such was the case with an auction of vehicles and equipment held on September 29, 2012 which generated \$426,420.

The City Commission has on a number of occasions voted to donate vehicles to other governmental agencies and causes. Most recently in 2010, the Commission voted to donate a surplus ambulance to Peru and two (2) others as part of the City's Haiti Relief efforts.

The administration has also received a request from the Village of Biscayne Park expressing interest in acquiring "hand me down" police vehicles.

### CONCLUSION

The Administration recommends that the Mayor and the City Commission refer the matter to the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee for discussion and further direction.

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