

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-3560

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA;
SUPPORTING THE CENTRAL EVERGLADES
PLANNING PROJECT FOR THE
RESTORATION OF THE CENTRAL
EVERGLADES; EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the Greater Everglades Ecosystem is a globally imperiled habitat and the primary source of drinking water for the City of Miami Springs; and,

WHEREAS, Everglades National Park is critical to South Florida's tourism, with nearly a million visitors each year; thirty percent of whom are from outside the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the Everglades ecosystem has continued to decline in the face of restoration delays and an expedited solution is needed to increase the quality, quantity, timing and distribution of freshwater flows into the central Everglades, Everglades National Park, and Florida and Biscayne Bays; and,

WHEREAS, increased deliveries of water south of Lake Okeechobee will reduce damaging discharges to the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie estuaries; and,

WHEREAS, the goal of the Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP) is to significantly reduce planning times and deliver a finalized plan for a suite of restoration projects in the central Everglades within eighteen months; and,

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WHEREAS, full support and funding by the State of Florida and the U. S. Congress is needed to implement this project that will protect regional water supply, create much needed jobs and strengthen the local economy:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing “**WHEREAS**” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption thereof.

Section 2: That the City Council of the City of Miami Springs hereby supports the completion of a Project Implementation Report (PIR) by the South Florida Water Management District and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers through the CEPP by May 2013 that addresses key obstacles for restoring freshwater flows and implements meaningful ecological and economic benefits toward restoring America’s Everglades.

Section 3: That the provisions of this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

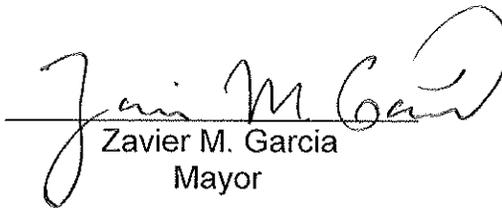
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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Miami Springs, Florida,
this 10th day of September, 2012.

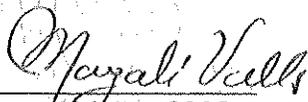
The motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was offered by
Councilwoman Ator, seconded by Councilman Best, and on
roll call the following vote ensued:

Vice Mayor Lob	"aye"
Councilman Best	"aye"
Councilwoman Bain	"aye"
Councilwoman Ator	"aye"
Mayor Garcia	"aye"




Zavier M. Garcia
Mayor

ATTEST:


Magali Valls, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGALITY AND FORM:


Jan K. Seiden, City Attorney

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