RESOLUTION
of the
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
regarding
DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS RELATING TO
ORANGE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER

Resolution No. 2001-4-01

WHEREAS, the Orange County Convention Center first opened in February 1983 with a total of 150,000 square feet of exhibit space; and

WHEREAS, in the last seventeen years, the Convention Center has expanded to contain approximately 1.1 million square feet of exhibit space; and

WHEREAS, the Convention Center is presently undergoing a Phase V expansion which is scheduled for completion in May 2003 at which time the Center will have approximately 2 million square feet of exhibit space, making it the second largest convention center in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the increasing size, scope and competitive nature of convention center business presents unique challenges in attracting and booking events and securing beneficial, long-term agreements for convention center space; and

WHEREAS, the owners/or and operators of trade shows, conventions, and/or meetings often demand long-term agreements with convention facilities like the Convention Center, and it places the Convention Center at a considerable competitive disadvantage if it cannot negotiate and enter into those types of long-term agreements; and

WHEREAS, the convention and trade show industry is highly competitive, not only between convention centers and cities, but also between events owners and operators, and such event owners and/or operators demand the maximum amount of confidentiality and protection for their proprietary interests as may be allowed under Florida public records laws; and
WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 255.047, provides exemption from public records laws for certain future booking business records of publicly owned convention centers in the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, it is highly desirable for the Orange County Convention Center to enter into such long-term agreements from time to time to formalize dates and space commitments for future shows to be undertaken by the event owners and/or operators; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to confirm the delegation of authority to the County Chairman or his designee to approve and execute these types of long-term agreements with the event owners and/or operators; and

WHEREAS, the Board further desires to confirm the delegation of authority to the Convention Center Director or his designee to approve and execute other convention center agreements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Delegation. The Board hereby delegates to the County Chairman the authority to approve and execute from time to time long-term agreements (i.e. those exceeding 70 days of booked space) at the Orange County Convention Center, but in each case only upon receipt by the County Chairman of a recommendation from the Convention Center Director to enter into a particular agreement.

Section 2. Ratification and Reconfirmation. The Board hereby ratifies, reconfirms and validates the authority delegated by the Board to the Convention Center Director or designee to enter into other documents relating to daily management and operation of the Orange County Convention Center as amended from time to time. This includes event agreements encompassing less than 70 days of booked space, parking agreements with a duration of 70 days or less, event service contractor or other event related agreements that have a 30 day no-fault termination provision, and short-term facility-use agreements, in each case with such rental, fees, or other consideration to be paid to the Convention Center as the director may determine are in keeping with the trade-show market and are necessary or desirable to keep the Convention Center competitive.

This delegation to the Convention Center Director or designee is conditioned upon each agreement (other than standard form event agreements) receiving the review and approval of the County Attorney's Office. Standard form event agreements for routine lease of Convention Center space are not subject to such review and approval so long as the form itself has been approved by the County Administrator and the County Attorney and the particular transaction does not deviate from the form in any material manner.
Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of January 2001.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

BY: Mel Martinez, Orange County Chairman

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

By: Deputy Clerk