

TPO RESOLUTION #62-17**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TO RETAIN IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY \$7 MILLION OF RELEASED FUNDS FROM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NUMBER (FM#) 2516881 (I-395 BRIDGE) AND REALLOCATE SAID FUNDS TO THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN FM #4424971 IN FISCAL YEAR 2022 FOR THE SMART PLAN RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PHASE**

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), for the Miami Urbanized Area, now known as the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), requires that the TPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the TPO established transit as the “highest priority” for Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, under Resolution #26-16, the TPO Governing Board endorsed the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan, which includes six (6) rapid transit corridors; and

WHEREAS, the development of the six rapid transit corridors will likely need the infusion of various funding sources, including federal, state, County, and municipal participation; and

WHEREAS, under Resolution #47-17 the TPO Governing Board directed the TPO Executive Director or Designee to take the necessary steps to advance the North and South Dade Transitway Corridors of the SMART Plan to Priority I in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the development of said corridors; and

WHEREAS, advancing the North and South Dade Transitway Corridors will provide relief from extensive traffic congestion to a large portion of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, under TPO Resolution #27-17, the Governing Board approved and prioritized TPO federal SU (FHWA Surface Transportation Program – Urban Areas SU) in the amount of approximately \$75 million between FY 2020 to FY 2022; and

WHEREAS, the right-of-way cost estimates for the North and South Dade Transitway corridors combined is \$100 million (based on conceptual level estimates); and

WHEREAS, the reallocation of \$7 million towards the SMART Plan right-of-way acquisition will help address the estimated funding gap of \$25 million for Right-of-Way Acquisition Phase,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION IN ITS ROLE AS THE MPO FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA, that this Board hereby requests the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to retain in Miami-Dade County \$7 million of released funds from Financial Management Number (FM#) 2516881 (I-395 Bridge) and reallocate said funds to the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan FM #4424971 in Fiscal Year 2022 for the SMART Plan Right-of-Way Acquisition Phase.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was sponsored by the Fiscal Priorities Committee and moved by Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dennis C. Moss, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.-Aye
Vice Chairman Francis Suarez-Absent

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Absent	Board Member Vince Lago	-Absent
Board Member Juan Carlos Bermudez	-Absent	Board Member Daniella Levine Cava	-Aye
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Roberto Martell	-Aye
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Absent	Board Member Joe A. Martinez	-Absent
Board Member Oliver G. Gilbert, III	-Absent	Board Member Jean Monestime	-Absent
Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Carlos Hernandez	-Aye	Board Member Jeff Porter	-Absent
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member Smith Joseph	-Aye	Board Member Xavier L. Suarez	-Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 7th day of December, 2017.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

By Zainab Salim
Zainab Salim, Clerk
Miami-Dade TPO

