

RESOLUTION NO. 2018 – 3775

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (“SMART”) PLAN; URGING ADDITIONAL CONNECTIVITY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in 2002, the electors of Miami-Dade County (the “County”) approved the imposition of a one-half percent surtax with the purpose of improving, among other things, mass transit within the County through the People’s Transportation Plan (“PTP”); and

WHEREAS, the PTP includes rapid transit corridors to be developed throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (“TPO”), through its Transit Solutions Committee, received and considered input from transportation partner agencies, elected officials, and the public at large in order to designate six rapid transit corridors as a high priority; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2016, the TPO Governing Board unanimously approved a policy to set as “highest priority” for this community the advancement of Rapid Transit Corridors and transit supportive projects in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2016, the TPO Governing Board reviewed and unanimously endorsed the SMART Plan; and

WHEREAS, the SMART Plan intends to advance six of the rapid transit corridors, along with a network system of bus enhanced rapid transit service, and further approves the advancement of all six corridors to the Project Development and Environment (“PD&E”) phase, which will finalize the technology and cost estimate for each corridor and enable each project to move to final design and construction; and

WHEREAS, these projects are of tremendous importance and benefit to the community and will be transformative in its impact on public transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Recommended Position. The effort by Miami-Dade County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) in endorsing the SMART Plan is hereby supported.

Section 3. Urging Additional Connectivity. The City Council hereby urges the TPO to include as an element of the SMART Plan multimodal connectivity among municipalities that

are located adjacent to or near multimodal or mass transit hubs to ensure that residents within those municipalities who are located within the first and last mile have additional transportation connectivity to multimodal or mass transit hubs.

Section 4. Transmittal. The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the TPO.

Section 5. Implementation. The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Mitchell who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Petralanda and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Vice Mayor Maria Puente Mitchell	<u>YES</u>
Councilman Bob Best	<u>YES</u>
Councilwoman Mara Zapata	<u>ABSENT</u>
Councilman Jaime Petralanda	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Billy Bain	<u>YES</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of March, 2018.

ATTEST:


ERIKA GONZALEZ-SANTAMARIA
CITY CLERK



APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS ONLY:


WEISS, SEROTA, HELFMAN, COLE & BIERMAN, P.L.
CITY ATTORNEY