

RESOLUTION NO.: 936

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING 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 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 approved the advancement of all six corridors to the Project Development and Environment (“PD&E”) phase, which will

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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 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, 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. **Transmittal.** The Village Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the TPO.

Section 4. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

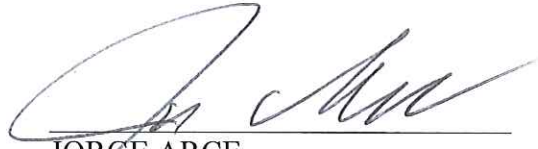
APPROVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 19th day of April, 2018, at a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Virginia Gardens, Florida.

ATTEST:


MARITZA FERNANDEZ
VILLAGE CLERK


FRED SPENCER DENO, IV
MAYOR OF THE
VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS

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JORGE ARCE
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

VOTE OF THE COUNCIL:

- Council President Arce
- Councilman Fernandez
- Councilman Block
- Councilwoman Conover
- Councilwoman Taylor-Martinez

YES
YES
YES
YES
YES

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:



JOSE M. HERRERA, ESQ.