RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAY 24, 2021 CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP ON BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.

WHEREAS, in April 2016, the City Commission adopted the Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) and Street Design Guide as part of the adoption of the Transportation Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the BPMP is based on a 20-year implementation horizon and categorizes projects into three priority levels; and

WHEREAS, since 2016, the Transportation and Mobility Department has focused on advancing 38 Priority 1 BPMP projects intended to close gaps in the current bicycle network and improve safety and comfort of existing facilities within five years of plan adoption (2016 – 2021); and

WHEREAS, 88% of BPMP Priority 1 projects are either completed or in the design or construction phase, and the City continues to advance the implementation of BPMP projects and deploy quick-build/interim projects to improve bicycle safety and comfort in short-order; and

WHEREAS, at the February 19, 2021 Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee (FERC) meeting, the Administration provided an update on the BPMP projects and a preliminary review of the Cambridge, Massachusetts Cycling Safety Ordinance adopted in 2019 and an ordinance amendment adopted in 2020; and

WHEREAS, at the meeting, the FERC Committee recommended that the Administration research leading international cities on the forefront of cycling, including Copenhagen, Amsterdam, and Stockholm, as case studies to identify best practices and opportunities to model the City's policy and implementation strategies; and additionally, conduct a thorough review of the Cambridge Cycling Safety Ordinance, and conduct a City Commission workshop on bicycle and pedestrian safety; and

WHEREAS, at the April 21, 2021 City Commission meeting, the Mayor and City Commission accepted the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee, directing the Administration to conduct a Commission workshop on bicycle and pedestrian safety to be scheduled on May 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2021, the City Commission hosted a workshop on bicycle and pedestrian safety wherein both the BPMP and the Cambridge Cycling Safety Ordinance were discussed in detail, including identifying challenges and opportunities related to adopting a similar ordinance in Miami Beach; and WHEREAS, at the City Commission Workshop on Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety held on May 24, 2021, the Administration presented insight on the challenges and opportunities associated with advancing bicycle-pedestrian projects in Miami Beach as well as innovative mobility policies and implementation strategies employed by leading international and national cities and their applicability to Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, at the City Commission Workshop, the City Commission recommended that the Administration take the following action:

- decouple short-term bicycle-pedestrian projects from long-term neighborhood improvement projects and provide the economic impact of decoupling projects to address safety issues;
- refer an item to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee to discuss bicycle-pedestrian projects that could be de-coupled and the reasons set forth; and
- collect data, including crash data, to track progress on mode-shift and measure effectiveness of bicycle-pedestrian projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendations of the May 24, 2021 City Commission Workshop on Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety in the City of Miami Beach.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 23rd day June, 2021.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LANGUAGE & FOR EXECUTION 6 - 18 - 21City Attorney Date