

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
 FROM: Rafael A. Paz, City Attorney
 DATE: February 22, 2023

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, RELATING TO TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AREA OF INDIAN CREEK DRIVE/41ST STREET, AND TAKING THE FOLLOWING ACTION: (1) URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") TO EXPEDITE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE DUAL SOUTHBOUND RIGHT TURN LANES AT THE INTERSECTION OF INDIAN CREEK DRIVE/41 STREET, TO ALLEVIATE CHRONIC TRAFFIC GRIDLOCK AT THIS MAJOR INTERSECTION, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS FDOT COMPLETES THE PLANNING STUDIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PERMANENT CONFIGURATION TO ACCOMMODATE A SECOND RIGHT TURN LANE AT THIS INTERSECTION; (2) REQUESTING THE CITY'S POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ASSIGN ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO 41ST STREET DURING PEAK TRAFFIC HOURS, AND PRIORITIZING THE HIRING OF SEASONAL TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICERS AS PART OF THE FY 2024 ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS TO ASSIST WITH FLOW OF TRAFFIC ON MAJOR CORRIDORS, INCLUDING 41ST STREET; (3) REQUESTING THAT THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO COORDINATE A ROUND TABLE WITH FDOT, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS, THE CITY OF MIAMI, AND NEIGHBORING COASTAL CITIES, AMONG OTHERS, TO DISCUSS REGIONAL TRAFFIC CONCERNS, INCLUDING ADDRESSING THE CAPACITY OF REGIONAL ROADS SHARED BY THE VARIOUS JURISDICTIONS TO ACCOMMODATE EXISTING AND PROJECTED TRAFFIC PATTERNS; (4) DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION DEVELOP A NEW POLICY FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION, TO ALLOW NIGHTTIME WORK WHEREVER POSSIBLE, AND EXPEDITE THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT OTHERWISE ADVERSELY IMPACT TRAFFIC ALONG MAJOR CORRIDORS; (5) REQUESTING THAT THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION ("TPO") PRIORITIZE REGIONAL COORDINATION OF NEW DEVELOPMENT TO ENSURE THAT REGIONAL ASSETS SUCH AS THE CAUSEWAYS MAINTAIN CAPACITY WITHIN EXISTING DENSITY LIMITS; (6) REFERRING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE A DISCUSSION OF THE POTENTIAL CLOSURE DURING PEAK HOURS OF CERTAIN CITY STREETS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS LOCATED IMMEDIATELY NORTH AND SOUTH OF 41ST STREET BETWEEN FLAMINGO DRIVE AND NORTH BAY ROAD, EXCEPT FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS, IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IN RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS, AS WELL AS PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST SAFETY; AND (7) REFERRING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE POTENTIAL USE OF TECHNOLOGY TO ANALYZE TRAFFIC PATTERNS IN CONGESTED CORRIDORS, TO SUPPORT THE CITY AND OTHER AGENCIES WITH JURISDICTION WITH TRAFFIC PLANNING EFFORTS.

ANALYSIS

Pursuant to the request of Commissioner Alex Fernandez, the above-referenced Resolution is submitted for consideration by the Mayor and City Commission at the February 1, 2023 Commission meeting.

SUPPORTING SURVEY DATA

N/A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Fiscal impact to be determined based on any programmatic actions as may be approved by the City Commission.

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-14?

No

Does this item utilize G.O. Bond Funds?

No

Legislative Tracking

Office of the City Attorney

Sponsor

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- [Resolution](#)
- [Resolution 2021-31905](#)