

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND APPROVING A) EXTENDING THE SOUTH BEACH TROLLEY ROUTE (LOOPS A AND B) TO COLLINS PARK AND B) ELIMINATING THE "VIA 10 STREET LOOP" TO ENABLE AN APPROXIMATE 15 MINUTE FREQUENCY OF SERVICE ALONG THE NEW ROUTE ALIGNMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, at the December 13, 2017 City Commission meeting, the City Commission referred an item entitled "Discussion of the current routes and conditions of the Miami Beach Trolley, as well as accessibility for seniors and handicapped persons" to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee (NCAC); and

**WHEREAS**, at the December 20, 2017 NCAC meeting, the NCAC discussed the item and recommended extending the South Beach Trolley route to serve the Collins Park neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Beach Trolley service was soft-launched on November 1, 2017 with full service implementation on November 20, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the current South Beach Trolley service consists of three (3) loops: South Beach Loop A (Clockwise), South Beach Loop B (Counterclockwise) and "Via 10 Street Loop"; and

**WHEREAS**, the average service frequency of the current loops is approximately 15 minutes for Loops A and B, and 35 minutes for the "Via 10 Street Loop"; and

**WHEREAS**, extension of the three (3) loops to serve the Collins Park neighborhood would result in an average service frequency of approximately 18 minutes for Loop A, approximately 20 minutes for Loop B, and approximately 45 minutes for the "Via 10 Street Loop"; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to note that the "Via 10 Street Loop" was developed in response to community input during the public meetings held in 2016 as part of the development of the South Beach Trolley route and service plan; and

**WHEREAS**, based on recent community input, the "Via 10 Street Loop" appears to be creating confusion among passengers given that it turns onto 10<sup>th</sup> Street rather than continuing to travel in a north-south direction, such as Loops A and B; and

**WHEREAS**, based on analysis of boarding and alighting data for stops along 10<sup>th</sup> Street for 1 month period, it was determined that the combined number of average daily boardings for all 3 stops along 10<sup>th</sup> Street is 58 and the number of alightings is 112; and

**WHEREAS**, while elimination of the "Via 10 Street Loop" would affect customers currently boarding along 10<sup>th</sup> Street, alternative stops are available on Alton Road and Washington Avenue and are within 900 feet walking distance for 2 out of 3 current stops along 10<sup>th</sup> Street and 1500 feet for the furthest stop; and

**WHEREAS**, given the City's goal to provide 15 minute average frequency of service on the South Beach Trolley service, and based on City staff's analysis of ridership data for the "Via

10 Street Loop", the Administration recommends eliminating the "Via 10 Street Loop", assigning the two (2) trolley vehicles currently operating along the "Via 10 Street Loop" to Loops A and B, and extending Loops A and B to serve the Collins Park neighborhood, pursuant to the recommendation of the NCAC; and

**WHEREAS**, the "Via 10 Street Loop" would be replaced with on-demand service or a different route in the long term; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event that the City Commission wishes to replace the "Via 10 Street Loop" with a different route, the Administration would pursue funding through the FY 2018/19 budget process.

**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 Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee and hereby approve a) extending the South Beach Trolley route (Loops A and B) to Collins Park and b) eliminating the "Via 10 Street Loop" to enable an approximate 15 minute frequency of service along the new route alignment.

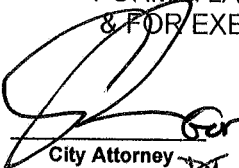
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of January, 2018.

**ATTEST:**

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Dan Gelber, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Attorney

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