

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE AT ITS FEBRUARY 3, 2020 MEETING, AND APPROVING THE PROPOSED CONCEPTS OF THE 23rd STREET COMPLETE STREETS FEASIBILITY STUDY, EXCLUDING THE FOLLOWING (1) BICYCLE LANES BETWEEN LIBERTY AVENUE AND THE EAST SIDE OF COLLINS AVENUE, (2) THE SHARED USE PATH IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN THE EAST SIDE OF COLLINS AVENUE AND THE BEACHWALK, AND (3) THE LANE REDUCTION ON 23 STREET, AS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED IN THE CONCEPT PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS.

WHEREAS, according to the 2019 City of Miami Beach Resident Survey, someone regularly rides a bicycle in 47% of Miami Beach households; and

WHEREAS, however, 62.5% of residents do not feel safe riding a bicycle in Miami Beach, 67% of residents feel either unsafe or concerned when crossing intersections in Miami Beach, and 74% of residents feel that drivers do not yield to pedestrians at intersections; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Miami Beach Transportation Master Plan (“TMP”) was built on a mode-share goal and modal prioritization strategy adopted by the City Commission via Resolution No. 2015-29083 on July 8, 2015, which places pedestrians first; transit, bicycles, and freight second; and private automobiles third; and

WHEREAS, the 23rd Street Complete Street is a Priority 1 project in the TMP and the study area is within the Collins Park neighborhood and is bounded by the Collins Park Canal to the north, 22nd Street to the south, Pine Tree Drive/Dade Boulevard to the west, and the Beachwalk to the east.; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the 23rd Complete Street project is to create a mobility blueprint for both 23rd Street and 22nd Street that ensures safety and convenience for pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users, and addresses the current traffic operational issues on 23rd Street in order to maximize its economic development potential; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 23rd Street Complete Street improvements support the City’s adopted modal hierarchy and its vision to be a people-first city where the pedestrian is prioritized in mobility options, and help mitigate the community’s expressed concerns with pedestrian and bicycle safety as reflected in the 2019 Miami Beach Resident Survey; and

WHEREAS, based on extensive community outreach, input, and collaboration, the City Administration has developed and refined a complete street concept plan for 23rd Street that enhances safety and mobility for all users of the roadway (pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and motorists) and increases the potential for economic growth; and

WHEREAS, at the February 3, 2020 Neighborhood and Quality of Life Committee (“the Committee” or “NQLC”) meeting, the Committee approved the proposed 23rd Street Complete Streets Feasibility Study, excluding bicycle lanes between Liberty Avenue and the east side of Collins Avenue, the shared-use path improvements between the east side of Collins Avenue and the Beachwalk, and the lane reduction on 23rd Street.

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 and Quality of Life Committee at its February 3, 2020 meeting, and approving the proposed concepts of the 23rd Street Complete Streets Feasibility Study, excluding the following: (1) bicycle lanes between Liberty Avenue and the east side of Collins Avenue, (2) the shared use path improvements between the east side of Collins Avenue and the Beachwalk, and (3) the lane reduction on 23rd Street in the eastbound direction, as originally proposed in the concept plan recommendations.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this 18th day March, 2020.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

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City Attorney

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Date

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