A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO WORK WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) REGARDING THE RELOCATION OF THE EXISTING PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK AT THE SOUTH LEG OF THE COLLINS AVENUE/24TH STREET INTERSECTION FURTHER SOUTH TO A MID-BLOCK LOCATION BETWEEN 24TH STREET AND 23RD STREET OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, TO REMOVE THE CROSSWALK.

WHEREAS, over the past years, the City has made various requests to Miami-Dade County and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) regarding various reported pedestrian safety issues at the intersection of Collins Avenue and 24th Street; and

WHEREAS, given the pedestrian bridge connection to the Collins Park Neighborhood and a number of destinations on both sides of Collins Avenue, the intersection of Collins Avenue and 24th Street is a high activity pedestrian crossing location; and

WHEREAS, the City has coordinated with Miami-Dade County and FDOT to make various modifications to the intersection to improve safety; and

WHEREAS, major roadway re-alignments to improve safety concerns would need to be vetted through the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization Long Range Transportation Plan Process for prioritization and programming of funds; and

WHEREAS, at the January 27, 2017 Neighborhoods/Community Affairs Committee (NCAC) meeting, the committee members expressed concerns with pedestrian safety at the south leg crosswalk because of the curvature at the intersection and possible conflict between pedestrians and vehicles at the crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, based on these concerns, the NCAC made a motion recommending that staff work with FDOT regarding the relocation of the existing pedestrian crosswalk at the south leg of the Collins Avenue/24th Street intersection further south to the mid-block location between 24th Street and 23rd Street or, in the alternative, to remove the crosswalk on the south leg of Collins Avenue and 24th 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 recommendation of the NCAC and hereby direct that City staff work with FDOT regarding the relocation of the existing pedestrian crosswalk at the south leg of the Collins Avenue/24th Street intersection further south to a mid-block location between 24th Street and 23rd Street or, in the alternative, to remove the crosswalk.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of March, 2017.

ATTEST:

Philip Levine, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LANGUAGE

& FOR EXECUTION

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

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