## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-331**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN.

WHEREAS, in 2002, the electors of Miami-Dade County approved the imposition of a one-half percent surtax with the purpose of improving, among other things, mass transit within Miami-Dade County through the People's Transportation Plan (PTP); and

WHEREAS, the PTP includes rapid transit corridors to be developed throughout Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), through its Transit Solutions Committee, received and considered input from transportation partner agencies, elected officials, and the public at large in order to designate six rapid transit corridors as a high priority; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2016, the Miami-Dade TPO Governing Board unanimously approved a policy to set as "highest priority" for the Miami-Dade community the advancement of rapid transit corridors and transit supportive projects in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2016, the Miami-Dade TPO Governing Board reviewed and unanimously endorsed the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan; and

WHEREAS, the SMART Plan intends to advance six of the rapid transit corridors, along with a network system of bus enhanced rapid transit service, and further approves the advancement of all six corridors to the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) phase, which will finalize the technology and cost estimate for each corridor and enable each project to move to final design and construction; and

**WHEREAS**, in July of 2017 the Miami-Dade TPO granted the City of Coral Gables membership in the TPO and Commissioner Vince Lago was appointed the City's representative to the TPO; and

WHEREAS, the SMART Plan and its related projects are of tremendous importance and benefit to Coral Gables and all of Miami-Dade County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Commission endorses and supports the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan as approved by the TPO Governing Board.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein and remains in full force and effect until supplemented, amended, repealed or otherwise altered.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2017.

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Quesada)

(Yeas: Quesada, Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Non-Agenda Item)

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APPROVED

RAÚL VALDÉS FAULI MAYOR

WÁLTER J. FOÉMAN CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRAIG E. LEEN CITY ATTORNEY