

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING **August 25, 2020**

ITEM TITLE:

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, reaffirming Resolution 2019-323 and urging the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners to complete the Old Cutler Trail bicycle path along Old Cutler Road. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

BRIEF HISTORY:

The Old Cutler Trail ("trail") is a paved, 11-mile long, multipurpose trail used by bicyclists and pedestrians. The trail currently passes through the gated residential community of Snapper Creek Lakes by way of Snapper Creek Road, circumventing a portion of Old Cutler Road that provides a more direct route between the intersections of SW 57th Ave and Old Cutler Road and Old Cutler Road and Snapper Creek Road.

Connecting the northern and southern portions of the trail via Old Cutler Road would improve the trail-users experience, safety, and wayfinding rather than directing pedestrian and bicycle traffic on a route through a residential neighborhood. It would also provide some relief for the residents of Snapper Creek Road, which is the path current users of the trail must take to travel between the bifurcated segments of the trail.

Dating back to 2004 and as recently as October 2019, the City Commission urged Miami-Dade County to complete the trail but that has not occurred. Consequently, the City Commission once again urges Miami-Dade County to connect the two portions of the bike trail by way of Old Cutler Road itself, to improve the experience and increase safety for all users of the trail.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Resolution 2019-323