City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting Agenda Item I-1 September 13, 2022 City Commission Chambers 405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

<u>City Commission</u> Mayor Vince Lago Vice Mayor Michael Mena Commissioner Rhonda Anderson Commissioner Jorge Fors Commissioner Kirk Menendez (On Zoom)

<u>City Staff</u> City Attorney, Miriam Ramos City Manager, Peter Iglesias City Clerk, Billy Urquia Senior Transportation Engineer, Melissa DeZayas Public Works Director, Hermes Diaz

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item I-1 [p.m.]

A Resolution of the City Commission directing City Staff to begin the balloting process related to the approval of bicycle lanes along South Alhambra Circle from U.S. Highway 1 to Trionfo Street.

Mayor Lago: Moving onto item I-1. Should we take lunch at one o'clock then. We have City Clerk items and then we'll have lunch.

City Attorney Ramos: I-1 is a Resolution of the City Commission directing City Staff to begin the balloting process related to the approval of bicycle lanes along South Alhambra Circle from U.S. Highway 1 to Trionfo Street.

Ms. DeZayas: So basically, we received direction from the City Commission to move forward with this project to engage the residents in the area and we did that. We developed a conceptual plan, we met with the residents, we had a community meeting back in June, and we did a survey.

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We presented them at the community meeting with shared use path or bike path option. There was a survey, they decided on the bike path option, but currently we don't have any balloting procedure in place for bicycle infrastructure. So, we are working with the City Attorney's office, we developed this resolution to establish a balloting procedure so we can move this project forward.

Mayor Lago: Okay. Does anybody have any comments, any issues after reviewing the balloting language.

Ms. DeZayas: This is basically mimicking the same language that we have for the traffic calming devices.

Public Works Director Diaz: You are looking at a concurrency of just over 50 percent.

Mayor Lago: Okay. And staff is comfortable with that.

Public Works Director Diaz: Yes.

City Manager Iglesias: Mayor, I think the idea here is to establish a consistent balloting procedure. This is an area that was solicited by the residents. We are looking at balloting only the affected residents, the ones that are directly adjacent to the bicycle path. We are looking at certainly, quite a bit of outreach to make sure that everyone has a ballot and then taking 50 percent of the ballots received.

Mayor Lago: Okay. Everyone feels comfortable with that.

Commissioner Anderson: I do.

Mayor Lago: Can I get a motion?

Commissioner Anderson: I'll move it.

Vice Mayor Mena: Second.

Commissioner Menendez: Yes

Commissioner Anderson: Yes

Commissioner Fors: Absent

Vice Mayor Mena: Yes

Mayor Lago: Yes

Mayor Lago: Thank you very much.

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Ms. DeZayas: Thank you.

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