CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-268

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ADOPTING A ZERO CONCURRENCY POLICY FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION ON COLLECTOR STREETS.

WHEREAS, pedestrians are the most vulnerable users of the public rights of way, especially where there are no sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, allowing pedestrians to intermingle with traveling vehicles is a peril to life safety; and

WHEREAS, sidewalks promote accessibility for all members of the public, enhance livability, permit a more active and healthy lifestyle for the community at large, and contribute to crime deterrence because they lead to more foot traffic in residential areas; and

WHEREAS, the City had adopted a number of ordinances, resolutions, and policies that support the construction of more sidewalks in the City, including the Sustainable Complete Streets policy; and

WHEREAS, collector streets handle 8,000 or more cars daily, are not subject to the reduced 25 mph speed limit on local roads, and thus, are in need of consistent, contiguous sidewalks that make walking safe for residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Board passed a resolution requesting that the City adopt a zero concurrency policy for the construction of sidewalks on collector streets; and

WHEREAS, the City's current policy requires 2/3 resident approval for sidewalk construction; and

WHEREAS, while it is the City's policy to fund sidewalk construction on collector streets, the 2/3 concurrency requirement creates a barrier to sidewalk construction that would improve public safety;

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

SECTION 1. That 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 the passage and adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. The City Commission does hereby adopt a zero concurrency policy for sidewalk construction on City collector streets.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSES AND ADOPTED THIS NINTH DAY OF OCTOBER A.D., 2018.

(Moved: Quesada / Seconded: Lago)

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

(Majority: (4-0) Vote)

(Absent: Mena)

(Agenda Item: 2-2)

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