



TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

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TITLE: Resolution in support of State Road A1A Florida Scenic Highway Five-
Year Corridor Management Plan Update

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution approving support of the efforts of the State Road A1A Scenic Highway Corridor Management Entity (CME) in its Five-Year Corridor Management Plan Update for State Road A1A in Broward County.

Background

On July 20, 2009, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) officially designated the approximate 32-mile stretch of State Road A1A within Broward County as a Florida Scenic Highway. The Florida Scenic Highways Program was developed to preserve, maintain, protect and enhance Florida's outstanding historical, archeological, recreational, cultural, natural and scenic resources. There are a total of 23 such designated Scenic Highways in the state of Florida. State Road A1A is the only such road in South Florida to earn that designation. Approximately 8.5± miles of State Road A1A are within the city limits.

The State Road A1A Scenic Highway Corridor Management Entity (CME) and the Corridor Advocacy Group (CAG) are designated with the responsibility of oversight on the scenic highway. These two organizations include representatives from the municipalities that A1A traverses through, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Broward County, and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District IV.

The CME/CAG is required to complete and submit a comprehensive Five-Year review of the scenic highway corridor and its Corridor Management Plan (CMP). By completing the five year CMP, the Broward County SR A1A Scenic Highway will be complying with the process needed to maintain designation as a scenic highway.

The five year report takes approximately a year to complete, usually through consulting services. The process should start in May of 2013 and is due 60 days before the 5-year designation anniversary, which is May 20, 2014.

The designation of SR A1A as a Florida Scenic Highway has provided the City of Fort Lauderdale with an additional medium to revisit and reinforce its vision for maintaining a world-class beach and scenic highway.

At the January 22, 2013 City Commission Conference meeting, City staff explained the history and the benefits of the Scenic Highway programs.

Related CAM:

CAR 13-0162 – Scenic Highway A1A Conference Item 1/22/13

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Scenic Highway Information

Exhibit 2 - Resolution

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