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To: Romney C. Rogers
Cc: Anthony Fajardo
Subject: FW: BARC Facility - Proposed Right Turn Control Structure
Importance: High

Good morning, Vice Mayor.

Anthony Fajardo would like to know if you have any comments on his e-mail, below, as this item is on the March 3 Commission Agenda. Kindly advise, when you can.

Thank you,

MJ

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Vice Mayor and Cliff:

From: Anthony Fajardo
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 9:04 AM
To: Romney Rogers
Cc: MJ Matthews; Ella Parker; Jenni Morejon; Alfred Battle; Susanne Torriente; Lee Feldman; Liza Torres; Heidi Richards; Lynda Crase; Eric Engmann; Alia Awwad; Alex Scheffer; Debora Griner
Subject: BARC Facility - Proposed Right Turn Control Structure

Vice Mayor,

As a result of our meeting on Tuesday regarding the proposed right turn control structure at the intersection of SW 28th Street and SW 4th Avenue that would restrict traffic traveling west bound on SW 28th Street to making a right turn only (north bound) onto 4th Avenue and prohibit traffic from

moving further west or south staff has been able to consolidate comments from Transportation & Mobility as well as our Urban Design Engineer within DSD.

The following is a breakdown of the responses we received from the various divisions and the issues that may have an impact on the request:

- The County currently administers and maintains the traffic signals and striping of right-of-ways under an agreement with the City. The existing agreement between the City and County would require any modification to roadway alignments and movements to be approved by the County prior to approval by the City.
- It is our understanding that a Pavement Marking Plan as well as a Signage Plan and Traffic Plan would need to be created and submitted to the Broward County Highway Construction & Engineering Division for their approval. We also understand that a study needs to be conducted that accompanies such a request which would detail the transportation need that warrants the control structure.
- In addition to the above there is also a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) study in the works to install a traffic signal at this intersection. The section of SW 4th Avenue between SR 84 and the airport perimeter road is a Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) connector that is frequently used by trucks traveling to and from the cargo area on the north side of Fort Lauderdale / Hollywood International Airport. FDOT is proposing to install mast arms, pedestrian signal heads and updating ramps and crosswalks to meet ADA standards at the intersection in question due to its strategic importance.
- Staff has also analyzed the proposed control structure in more detail and has concerns that such a structure would cause a disruption of the traffic flow and movement in this area. The grid pattern is set up to allow for alternative routes for vehicular movement so that one roadway does not become overburdened. Furthermore there may be unintended consequences that could impact the fire station in the area so further analysis by the Fire Department may be required.

Based on the above comments the proposed control structure may not be viable solution as coordination between FDOT, the County and the City would need to occur and that such a control structure may not meet the requirements and needs of the intersection as proposed.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss the matter further.

Sincerely,

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