



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#17-0662

7-11-17
CR-8
REVISED
CAM

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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager *L.R. Feldman*

DATE: July 11, 2017

TITLE: **REVISED** - Resolution in Support of a Planning, Development & Environmental (PD&E) Study to be completed for the Gateway Intersection (US1 and Sunrise Boulevard)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution supporting the completion of a Planning, Development & Environmental (PD&E) study for the Gateway intersection of US1 and Sunrise Boulevard to address improved flow for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles through this intersection.

Background

As a component of identifying City priorities on State roadways, the City Commission adopted resolution 17-57 in support of the City Priorities List on March 21, 2017. That list is used by the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to develop and update its Multimodal Priorities List which is used by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to develop the department's five-year work program.

There is an opportunity for the PD&E study at the Gateway intersection of US1 and Sunrise Boulevard to be funded. Although the project was identified on the City's Priority List, the MPO and FDOT have requested that the City Commission provide support specifically with the understanding that it will include the alternative of the Gateway fly-over concept and roundabout design proposed by FDOT, as seen in Exhibit 1.

This PD&E study will be conducted by FDOT and will contain the analysis of several design alternatives to determine the best solution to the concerns at this intersection, including the one shown in Exhibit 1. During the two year PD&E process, there will be a minimum of three required public meetings held, with additional meetings throughout. The three meetings will consist of a kick-off meeting to explain the process of a PD&E, an Alternatives Workshop where the potential alternatives will be presented for public input, and a Public Hearing that will present the preferred alternative for public comment.

The final product of the PD&E study will be the identification of a preferred alternative for the Gateway Intersection that has received consensus of support. Following the completion of the study, the ~~project will move into design.~~ This process will again include public input into the details of the design preferred alternative. At this time, construction funding has not yet been programmed.

Resource Impact

The funding for the study will be provided and managed by the Florida Department of Transportation.

Strategic Connection

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 Initiative, included within the Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 1: Be a pedestrian friendly, multi-modal City.
- Objective 1: Improve transportation options and reduce congestion by working with agency partners.
- Objective 2: Integrate transportation land use and planning to create a walkable and bikeable community.
- Objective 3: Improve pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicular safety.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Connected*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Gateway Flyover Concept

Exhibit 2 - Resolution

Prepared by: Karen Warfel, Transportation and Mobility

Department Director: Diana Alarcon, Transportation and Mobility