RESOLUTION NO. 23-114

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL RAILROAD REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE REGIONAL **TRANSPORTATION** SOUTH FLORIDA AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FOR GRADE CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS. REPAIRS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES ON SISTRUNK BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale (City) has jurisdiction of Sistrunk Boulevard, located in the City, which includes roadway portions that cross the railroad grade of the right-of-way and tracks at Railroad Milepost SX 1011.63, and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)/Association of American Railroads (AAR) Crossing Number 628194W, on Sistrunk Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC) is owned by FDOT and the railway is operated by the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA); and

WHEREAS, SFRTA manages, operates, maintains, and dispatches all railroad operations on the SFRC on behalf of FDOT and also maintains and repairs the rights-of-way, facilities, tracks, bridges, communications, signals, and all appurtenances on the SFRC; and

WHEREAS, the roadway conditions on Sistrunk, which cross the railroad, are failing and are causing the railway crossing to be unsafe and City wishes to make improvements and repairs; and

WHEREAS, given the operational considerations, training requirements, and interaction with train traffic, the City is required to utilize SFRTA to perform the work, including improvements and repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Railroad Reimbursement Agreement defines the roles, responsibilities, and financial obligations of each of the parties; and

WHEREAS, the costs for the improvements and repairs to be completed by SFRTA are estimated in the amount of \$739,200.00; and

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WHEREAS, upon completion of the improvements and repairs by SFRTA, the City agrees to reimburse SFRTA, for the City's portion of all actual costs attributable to the improvements and repair work on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City will be responsible for the maintenance of the highway roadbed and surface outside the railway ties that are within the City's right-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, hereby SECTION 1. approves and authorizes the execution of an Interlocal Railroad Reimbursement Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, and the City of Fort Lauderdale, for grade crossing improvements, repairs and traffic control devices on Sistrunk Boulevard, in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final adoption. SECTION 2.

ADOPTED this 20th day of June, 2023

DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk

DAVID R. SOLOMAN

Dean J. Trantalis

Yea

John C. Herbst

Yea

APPROVED AS TO FORM

AND CORRECTNESS:

Steven Glassman

Yea

Interim City Attorney

Pamela Beasley-Pittman

Warren Sturman

Yea

Yea