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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 21, 2021

TITLE: Resolution Supporting Broward County and Florida East Coast Railway

(FEC) Collaborative Roadway Reconfiguration Project to Enhance

Pedestrian and Vehicular Safety - (Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a Resolution of Support for the Broward County and Florida East Coast Railway (FEC) collaborative roadway reconfiguration project to enhance pedestrian and vehicular safety.

Background

Broward County and Florida East Coast Railway, seek the support of the City of Fort Lauderdale, for improving pedestrian and vehicle safety conditions at the NE 3rd Avenue and the FEC railroad crossing. The intent of this two-phased project is to provide safer sidewalk and crosswalk options for pedestrians on Progresso Drive/NE 4th Avenue north of the FEC railroad crossing, and to address vehicle safety concerns in this intersection.

Phase One proposes a temporary asphalt walkable area separated with Qwick Kurb system and new pavement markings along Progresso Drive from NE 3rd Avenue to NE 9th Street. Phase Two includes a sidewalk crossing over the FEC tracks connecting NE 3rd Avenue to Progresso Drive. The sidewalk crossing will meet the American Disabilities Act standards including pedestrian crossing gates, ramps, and crosswalk along Progresso Drive. The sidewalk crossing work within FEC right of way will be designed and constructed by FEC.

Resource Impact:

The City of Fort Lauderdale Public Works will be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the installed sidewalks.

Strategic Connections:

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Transportation and Traffic initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 2: Build a multi-modal and pedestrian friendly community.
- Objective: Improve transportation options and reduce congestion by working with partners

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

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Transportation and Mobility Element
- Goal 1: Ensure the equitable development of a Complete Network for transportation that prioritizes Safety and emphasizes multimodal mobility and accessibility.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Concept Plan - Phase One

Exhibit 2 - Concept Plan - Phase Two

Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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