RESOLUTION No. 19-133

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) ON FLAGLER STREET WITH BUSINESS ACCESS AND TRANSIT (BAT) LANE ALTERNATIVE PROJECT AS PART OF THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREAS RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan was developed by Miami-Dade County and the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) in support of the County's projected future population and employment growth,

WHEREAS, the SMART Plan was adopted by the TPO Governing Board on April 21, 2016, and can be described as a comprehensive transportation plan which advances rapid mass transit along six (6) major corridors, and nine (9) Bus Express Rapid Transit (BERT) corridors throughout the County, and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral falls within the Flagler BERT Corridor, which runs along SW 8th Street (SW 147th Avenue to SW 107th Avenue), NW/SW 107th Avenue (SW 8th Street to NW 12th Street), NW 12th Street (NW 122nd Avenue to NW 107th Avenue), and Flagler Street/SW 1st Street (SW/NW 107th Avenue to SR 5/US 1/Biscayne Boulevard), and

WHEREAS, in 2016, an extensive analysis was initiated, resulting in the Bus Rapid
Transit (BRT) Alternative 1 – Bus Access Transit Lanes being identified as the alternative
that most closely addresses the transit needs in the corridor, and

WHEREAS, the BAT Lanes consists of repurposing the existing outside lanes along the roadways previously identified to allow for bus only lanes and cars turning right along the corridor and at major intersections; implementation of Bus Rapid Transit routes

from the Dolphin Station (NW 12th Street and NW 122nd Avenue), Tamiami Station (SW 147th Avenue and SW 8th Street/US 41/Tamiami Trail), and Panther Station (Florida International University Modesto Maidique Campus); implementation of enhanced BRT stations at approximately every mile along the corridor, and

WHEREAS, an extensive public outreach effort has taken place since 2016 to present the various alternatives evaluated to elected officials, business owners, university presidents, residents, and major stakeholders, and

WHEREAS, consideration and consultation with the City will happen prior to finalizing project alternative,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Recitals</u>. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made part hereof by this reference.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Adoption of Representations</u>. The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 3. Authorization. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Doral, Florida, hereby identifies the BRT Alternative 1 – Bus Access Transit Lanes as the preferred option for Bus Express Rapid Transit.

Section 4. Transmittal. The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit this Resolution to such individuals as deemed appropriate, to ensure that they City's position with this regard is clearly received and understood.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and is subject to the approval of the Governor and his designee.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Mariaca who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cabral and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

| Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez | Yes |
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| Vice Mayor Claudia Mariaca | Yes |
| Councilwoman Digna Cabral | Yes |
| Councilman Pete Cabrera | Yes |
| Councilwoman Christi Fraga | Yes |

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of June, 2019.

JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOF

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

LUIS FIGUEREDO, ESQ.

CITY ATTORNEY