

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 10, 2007

Consent       Regular  
 Public Hearing

Department:

Submitted By: ADMINISTRATION

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file:** Resolution No. R2007-65 by the City Commission of the City of Hollywood, Florida in support of the Florida Department of Transportation and its affiliated regional transportation agencies to recommend strategic investment in the Florida East Coast Corridor areas to expand local and regional passenger services in that area to meet the growing transit needs and complement freight industry growth in the southeast Florida area.

Summary: N/A

Background and Justification: N/A

Attachments: Original Documents

Recommended By:

Patty Hndle  
Agenda Coordinator

3/20/07  
Date

Approved By:

N/A  
Assistant County Administrator

Date

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## CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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March 6, 2007

County Administrator  
Palm Beach County  
301 N. Olive Avenue, 11th Floor  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. R-2007-65, adopted by the Hollywood City Commission on February 21, 2007, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ITS AFFILIATED REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES TO RECOMMEND STRATEGIC INVESTMENT IN THE FLORIDA EAST COAST CORRIDOR AREAS TO EXPAND LOCAL AND REGIONAL PASSENGER SERVICE IN THAT AREA TO MEET THE GROWING TRANSIT NEEDS AND COMPLEMENT FREIGHT INDUSTRY GROWTH IN THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA AREA.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Cerny, MMC  
City Clerk

Enclosure

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WHEREAS, in 1995, a collaboration of freight operators and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) completed the "Rail Rationalization Study" and recommended long-term planning for both the South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC) and Florida East Coast (FEC) Corridor, including double tracking of the SFRC and the concurrent, public investment in the FEC Corridor, and to consider implementation of passenger service within the FEC Corridor; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 and 1998, cities and counties in the Southeast Florida region began to meet on a continuing basis to approve resolutions asking state and federal transportation agencies to negotiate with the Florida East Coast Industries, Inc., (FECI) for inclusion of passenger service within it corridor; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT 2020 and 2025 Mission Statements call for safe, interconnected statewide transportation systems that ensure mobility of people and goods for Florida's citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT and its affiliated regional offices are required to expand and enhance rail systems in Florida to respond to statewide mobility needs; and

WHEREAS, the FEC Corridor right-of-way represents an important and strategic transportation corridor that provides vital freight and transportation rails services to and from South Florida; and

WHEREAS, the trend in economic growth along the FEC Corridor continues to increase, resulting in the building of compact residential and commercial development, including the accommodation of tens of thousands of new residents and hundreds of thousands of square feet of office space within walking distance of the corridor;

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

Section 1: That FDOT and its affiliated agencies involved with the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) are strongly encouraged to define specific and detailed baseline local and regional passenger services needed for cities and unincorporated areas along the FEC Corridor area where tremendous compact growth is underway.

Section 2: That FDOT is encouraged to recommend the full funding of the needed transit service expansion within and along the FEC Corridor areas to the extent that passenger services can be added without negatively affecting current or future freight operations.

Section 3: That FDOT is encouraged to work with local governments to develop financing mechanisms that benefit eastern communities and advance near-term development of the necessary transit services in the FEC Corridor.

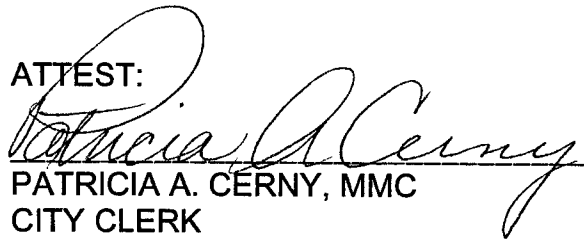
Section 4: That FDOT is encouraged to work with local governments to develop complementary land use plans and local development regulations to develop communities that are best served by transit.

Section 5: That the City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to all government agencies involved, including County Commissions and officials involved in regional transit planning, the RTA and its membership, the Florida League of Cities, municipalities and Chambers of Commerce within the South Florida area, SFRC and FECL and their affiliates at the air and sea ports.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21 DAY OF Feb, 2007.

  
MARA GIULIANTI, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
for the use and reliance of the  
City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

  
DANIEL L. ABBOTT, CITY ATTORNEY