

RESOLUTION NO. 15-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, URGING THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO UNDERTAKE A NEW STUDY OF THE SOUTH DADE BUSWAY TO DETERMINE THE NEED AND PLANS FOR FUTURE EXPANSION OF MASS TRANSIT ALONG THE EXISTING SOUTH DADE BUSWAY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Cutler Bay (the “Town”) Council supports the development and the use of the existing South Dade Busway for the future expansion of a mass transit system; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the mass transit system will have a significant positive impact on social, environmental, and economic conditions within the South Dade Region of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the South Dade Region, which includes communities between Florida City to Cutler Bay, are experiencing rapid residential growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the Town adopted an update to its Transportation Master Plan via Resolution #14-72 that was a direct result of several public meetings; and

WHEREAS, during the Public Involvement Phase of the Transportation Master Plan, which consisted of six (6) Public Stakeholder Meetings there was strong demand for the expansion of mass transit to the South Dade region; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2015, Mayor Peggy Bell and other Mayors in the South Dade Region participated in a Virtual Town Hall Meeting, which was co-hosted by Congressman Carlos Curbelo and State Representative Kionne L. McGhee, which included several community leaders that expressed their concern of the lack of mass transit servicing the South Dade communities; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to encourage the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to commission a new study of the South Dade Busway to determine the need and plans for the future of mass transit, which will serve the South Dade Region of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Town finds that this Resolution will promote the health, safety and welfare of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Urging Metropolitan Planning Organization. The Town Council hereby urging the Metropolitan Planning Organization to undertake a new study of the South Dade Busway to determine the need and plans for future expansion of mass transit along the existing South Dade Busway.

Section 3. Transmittal. The Town Council hereby directs the Town Clerk to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners, the Board of Miami-Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Miami-Dade Citizen’s Independent Transportation Trust.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of April, 2015.

Attest:

PEGGY R. BELL
Mayor

JACQUELINE N. WILSON
Interim Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE
SOLE USE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY:

WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN
COLE & BIERMAN, P.L.
Town Attorney

Moved By: _____
Seconded By: _____

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Mayor Peggy R. Bell _____

Vice Mayor Ernest N. Sochin _____

Council Member Roger Coriat _____

Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle _____

Council Member Mary Ann Mixon _____