

**TPO RESOLUTION #10-17**

**RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION TO  
DESIGNATE THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART)  
PLAN AS A PROGRAM OF INTERRELATED PROJECTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area requires that the MPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process; and

**WHEREAS**, under Resolution #06-16, the TPO Governing Board established a policy to set as highest priority the advancement of rapid transit corridor projects in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, under Resolution #26-16, the TPO Governing Board endorsed the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the designation of the SMART Plan as a Program of Interrelated Projects will benefit and increase the likelihood of federal funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the SMART Plan corridors have logical connectivity to one another and are funded as Priority I for environmental phase in such a manner as to advance all corridors within a reasonable timeframe; and

**WHEREAS**, such designation of Interrelated Program of Projects is subject to approval by the Federal Transit Administration,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION IN ITS ROLE AS THE MPO FOR THE MIAMI  
URBANIZED AREA**, urges the Federal Transit Administration to designate the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan as a Program of Interrelated Projects.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was sponsored by Board Member Barbara J. Jordan and moved by Board Member Barbara J. Jordan. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

**Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.-Aye**  
**Vice Chairman Francis Suarez-Aye**

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Aye	Board Member Daniella Levine Cava	-Aye
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Absent	Board Member Roberto Martell	-Aye
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Aye	Board Member Joe A. Martinez	-Absent
Board Member Oliver G. Gilbert, III	-Aye	Board Member Jean Monestime	-Aye
Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Carlos Hernandez	-Absent	Board Member Jeff Porter	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Aye	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Absent
Board Member Smith Joseph	-Aye	Board Member Xavier L. Suarez	-Aye
Board Member Philip Levine	-Absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2017.

**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

By Zainab Salim  
Zainab Salim, Clerk  
Miami-Dade TPO



**MPO RESOLUTION #26-16****RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN AND DIRECTING THE MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO WORK WITH THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FISCAL PRIORITIES COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE THE COSTS AND POTENTIAL SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT STUDY FOR SAID PROJECTS**

**WHEREAS**, in 2002, the electors of Miami-Dade County approved the imposition of a one-half percent surtax with the purpose of improving, among other things, mass transit within the County through the People's Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the People's Transportation Plan included eight rapid transit corridors located throughout Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 16, 2016, the MPO Governing Board unanimously approved a policy to set as highest priority for this community the advancement of Rapid Transit Corridors and transit supportive projects in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Planning Organization Transit Solutions Committee has, over the past several months, received and considered input from transportation partner agencies, elected officials, and the public at large; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Planning Organization Transit Solutions Committee has reviewed the proposed Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan and has forwarded the proposal with a favorable recommendation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Planning Organization remains committed to the development of these rapid transit corridors,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA**, that the attached Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan is hereby endorsed. The Governing Board of the Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby directs the MPO Executive Director to work with the Fiscal Priorities Committee to determine the costs and potential sources of funding for Project Development and Environment Study for said projects. The MPO Executive Director is further directed to take all necessary steps to implement the attached SMART Plan.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was sponsored by MPO Transit Solutions Committee moved by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dennis C. Moss, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

**Chairman Jean Monestime-Aye**  
**Vice Chairman Francis Suarez-Aye**

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Aye	Board Member Smith Joseph	-Absent
Board Member Esteban Bovo Jr	-Aye	Board Member Philip Levine	-Absent
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Absent	Board Member Daniella Levine Cava	-Aye
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Aye	Board Member Roberto Martell	-Aye
Board Member Maurice Ferre	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Oliver G. Gilbert, III	-Absent	Board Member Jeff Porter	-Aye
Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman	-Absent	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Carlos Hernandez	-Absent	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Absent
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Aye	Board Member Xavier L. Suarez	-Aye
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Aye	Board Member Juan C. Zapata	-Absent

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2016.

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

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 Zainab Salim, Clerk  
 Miami-Dade MPO





MIAMI-DADE METROPOLITAN  
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## Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR PLAN		
PROJECT NAME	ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS	ACTION REQUIRED OR IN-PROGRESS
North Corridor (NW 27 <sup>th</sup> Avenue)	Planning and Environmental Phase In-Progress	<b>Continuation of Federal Environmental Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PD&amp;E will start in April 2016 (FDOT)</li> <li>Light Rail Transit (LRT) and/or appropriate premium transit technology</li> </ul>
Beach Corridor	N/A	<b>Advance to Priority I Funded LRTP - Planning and Environmental Phase</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Light Rail Transit (LRT) and/or appropriate premium transit technology</li> </ul>
East-West Corridor SR-836	N/A	<b>Advance to Priority I Funded LRTP - Planning and Environmental Phase</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Light Rail Transit (LRT) and/or appropriate premium transit technology</li> </ul>
South Dade TransitWay	N/A	<b>Advance to Priority I Funded LRTP - Planning and Environmental Phase</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conversion of US-1 Busway from Enhanced Bus Service to Light Rail Transit (LRT) and/or appropriate premium transit technology</li> </ul>
TriRail Coastal Link (North East/FEC Corridor)	Planning and Environmental Phase In Progress	<b>Continuation of Federal Environmental Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passenger Rail Service on FEC Corridor</li> </ul>
Kendall Corridor	Planning and Environmental Phase In-Progress	<b>Continuation of Federal Environmental Process</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PD&amp;E will start in June 2016 (FDOT)</li> <li>Light Rail Transit (LRT) and/or appropriate premium transit technology</li> </ul>
BUS EXPRESS RAPID TRANSIT (BERT) NETWORK		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flagler Corridor (Planning &amp; Environmental Phase in Progress: BRT and/or Reversible Lanes)</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S. Miami-Dade Express (Southern Miami-Dade County to Dadeland North Metrorail Station via Florida Turnpike/SR 874/SR 878)</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N.W. Miami-Dade Express (I-75/Miami Gardens Drive Park-n-Ride to Palmetto Metrorail Station)</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S.W. Miami-Dade Express (Southwest Miami-Dade County from Miami Executive Airport to Dadeland North Metrorail Station via SR 874/SR 878)</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Florida Turnpike Express (South Miami-Dade to Doral)</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beach Express North/Central/South (I-395/Mac Arthur Causeway &amp; SR 112/ I-195 – Julia Tuttle Causeway)</li> </ul>		



**MPO RESOLUTION #06-16**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY OF THIS BOARD TO SET AS HIGHEST PRIORITY THE ADVANCEMENT OF RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AND DIRECTING THE MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO AMEND THE 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO INCLUDE SAID POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, Title 23 US Code designates and provides the MPO as the lead agency with the authority to carry out the transportation planning process within Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan Update (LRTP) as approved on October 23, 2014, reflects all of the federal MAP-21 National Goals and the 2060 Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) goals. Furthermore, the LRTP addresses all federal, state, regional and local requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the MPO Governing Board Chair has emphasized a renewed sense of urgency to improve transit mobility options with the creation of the Transit Solutions Committee and the Fiscal Priorities Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transit Solutions Committee and the Fiscal Priorities Committee are responsible for identifying immediate opportunities to advance and prioritize funding for mass transit services; and

**WHEREAS**, this body is responsible for conducting the transportation planning process in Miami-Dade County and recognizes that Rapid Transit Corridor Projects are highest priority and should be advanced in order to provide a comprehensive mobility network that increases regional mobility, reduces congestion, and considers the transportation needs of all residents within the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA**, that the MPO Governing Board hereby establishes a policy to set as highest priority for this community the advancement of Rapid Transit Corridor and transit supportive projects in Miami-Dade County; and directing the MPO Executive Director or designee to amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan to include said policy, providing no currently funded projects are negatively impacted.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was sponsored by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez and moved by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez. The motion was seconded by Board Member Rebeca Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

**Chairman Jean Monestime -Aye**  
**Vice Chairman Francis Suarez -Aye**

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Absent	Board Member Smith Joseph	-Absent
Board Member Esteban Bovo, Jr	-Aye	Board Member Philip Levine	-Absent
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Daniella Levine Cava	-Aye
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Maurice Ferre	-Aye	Board Member Jeff Porter	-Aye
Board Member Oliver Gilbert, III	-Aye	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member Carlos Hernandez	-Absent	Board Member Xavier-L. Suarez	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Juan C. Zapata	-Absent
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

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