

FTAC RESOLUTION #2-2018

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE TPO GOVERNING BOARD AND MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECONSIDER SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TRUCK TRAVEL CENTER AT THE FDOT-OWNED SITE X ON NW 7TH STREET AT SR 826/PALMETTO EXPRESSWAY

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) has established the Freight Transportation Advisory Committee (FTAC) to advise it on freight related plans and projects, and

WHEREAS, FTAC recognizes the critical importance of moving freight throughout Miami-Dade County for maintaining economic vitality, and for delivery of consumer goods from distribution centers to retail stores for purchase by all citizens, and

WHEREAS, cargo facility improvements at Miami International Airport, the NW 25th Street Viaduct, and the cargo hub areas in Miami-Dade County need to be supported with freight-friendly measures including providing essential amenities such as truck travel centers at key locations within the county, and

WHEREAS, truck parking shortages are a national safety concern and Section 1401 of MAP-21 (PL 112-141) also known as “Jason’s Law” was established to provide a national priority on adequate parking and rest facilities for commercial motor vehicles engaged in interstate transportation; and

WHEREAS, the lack of trucking parking has consequences for Miami-Dade’s economic competitiveness with other markets, as demonstrated by recent freight plan studies by the Miami-Dade TPO and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and

WHEREAS, FDOT has approximately \$14.7 million in available formula based funding for a truck parking facility that needs to be spent in Fiscal Year 2021, and

WHEREAS, the FTAC has worked closely with the TPO since 2005 to identify location(s) to establish truck travel centers within Miami-Dade County, and the location owned by FDOT District Six on NW 7th Street east of SR 826 is the most viable option.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION:

The FTAC recommends that the TPO Governing Board and Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners reconsider support of the development of a truck travel center at the FDOT-owned Site “X” on NW 7th Street at State Road 826/Palmetto Expressway.

The foregoing resolution was offered by John Dohm who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Jorge Corzo and upon being put to a vote was as follows:

William Arata	- Aye	Gabriel Rodriguez	- Aye
Jorge E. Corzo	- Aye	Donard St. Jean	- Absent
John Dohm	- Aye	Michael Silver	- Aye
Ryan McFarland	- Absent		

Chairperson Barbara Pimentel	- Aye
Vice Chair Juan J. Flores	- Aye

The Chair thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 8th day of August, 2018.

FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

By 

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