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RESOLUTION NO. 2013-82

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO TRAFFIC; REQUESTING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO WORK TOGETHER WITH THE VILLAGE AS TO THE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT THE INTERSECTION OF US HIGHWAY 1 AND SW 152ND STREET; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. [Sponsored by Mayor Shelley Stanczyk].

WHEREAS, the Village and its residents have experienced tremendous traffic concerns at the SW 152nd Street Corridor in the vicinity of US 1; and,

WHEREAS, the last traffic study done for SW 152nd Street was completed in 2004; and,

WHEREAS, due to the several roadway cuts on SW 152nd Street, just before the intersection east of US Highway 1, and due to the various business, adjacent to the intersection, as well as the location of Coral Reef Park and Coral Reef Elementary on SW 15nd Street further east, there is a great deal of congestion at the intersection; and

WHEREAS, neither road is under the jurisdiction of the Village, as SW 152nd Street is under the dominion of Miami-Dade County, and US Highway 1, is controlled by the State, the Village is seeking the joint participation of the county and state to conduct a study of the traffic and to implement traffic improvements for the intersection; and,

WHEREAS, the Village seeks for the support of Miami-Dade County, the County Commission, and the State to support such improvements and support in hearing out the concerns of the community; and,

WHEREAS, due to the foregoing, there is concern of further traffic and congestion on an already overworked infrastructure, and due to development from the South, there has been increased Traffic, increased cut-thru the residential streets with the attendant problems of speeding, dangerous u-turns and increasing threats to the safety of residents and their children; and,

WHEREAS, at a minimum the Village Council encourages the County and State to work with the Village in creating a Task Force, with direct Village participation to address not only the existing traffic situation, but helping to develop a plan that can address the anticipated increased traffic due to development in the Village, and South of the Village; and,

WHEREAS, the Village seeks the support of Mayor Carlos Gimenez, Miami Dade-Commissioner Lynda Bell, State Representative Michael Bileca, and State Senator Gwen Margolis since both Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida are stakeholders in the 152nd Street and US 1 transportation corridors; and,

1 **WHEREAS**, the Village specifically requests updated information from the responsible
2 governmental agencies on both the current and expected traffic and levels of service for the
3 intersection at SW 152nd Street and US Highway 1; and requests that county and state/FDOT
4 agencies fund the necessary studies and work to develop plans to mitigate the traffic congestion;
5 and,
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7 **WHEREAS**, Kathleen Woods-Richardson, Director Public Works and Waste Management
8 Department (PWWM) for Miami-Dade County has previously opined on the Village's request for
9 Traffic Calming Improvement at the Intersection of SW 152nd ST and NB lanes of US-1 (traffic
10 congestion, traffic flow modifications) and she advised that the County project was not a traffic
11 calming project, but instead an intersection capacity improvement project. PWWM has previously
12 proposed certain improvements east of this intersection that combined intended to improve the
13 flow of traffic. However, after further analysis, PWWM has recommended against those
14 improvements due to the following:
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- 16 1) A proposed westbound left-turn lane at 120' east of US1 for southbound turn onto property
17 address # 15315 is not recommended due to close proximity to US1 creating a safety issue
18 for northbound traffic at US1 turning eastbound onto SW 152 Street. Drivers would
19 encounter turning vehicles at a very short span. In addition, the proposed median opening
20 falls short of the 330' minimum required for median openings per PWWM policy.
- 21 2) The proposed eastbound left-turn lane onto property address # 8975 on north side of SW
22 152 Street is not recommended since existing alley is one-way southbound only.
- 23 3) The proposed westbound left-turn lane for turning onto property address # 8950 is not
24 recommended due to point of merge for corridor at +/- 450' east of US1 and the encounter
25 with eastbound traffic creating a safety issue.
- 26 4) The Right-of-Way (ROW) on the south side, east of US1 at property address # 8950 is not
27 dedicated as public ROW. As such, the extension of the eastbound merge lane cannot be
28 implemented.
- 29 5) Finally, tubular delineators were installed to improve safety operations in the area;
30 and,
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32 **WHEREAS**, the Village desires to work with the State and County to ensure that traffic
33 congestion is properly addressed despite the concerns raised by PWWM.
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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE**
36 **COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**
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38 **Section 1.** The Village incorporates by reference the above Whereas Clauses.
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40 **Section 2.** The Village Clerk is authorized on behalf of the Village to file this Resolution
41 with the Mayor and Commission of Miami-Dade County, particularly with the office of
42 Commissioner Lynda Bell; State Representative Michael Bileca and State Senator Gwen Margolis.
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44 **Section 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.
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1 PASSED and ADOPTED this 4th day of November, 2013.

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3 Attest: Meighan Alexander
4 Meighan Alexander
5 Village Clerk

Shelley Stanczyk
Shelley Stanczyk
Mayor

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7 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
8 Eve A. Boutsis
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16 FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:
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18 Council Member Patrick Fiore YES
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20 Council Member Tim Schaffer YES
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22 Council Member Joan Lindsay YES
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24 Vice-Mayor John DuBois YES
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26 Mayor Shelley Stanczyk YES