

## TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-035**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PROCUREMENT AND OVERSIGHT OF CONSULTANTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COUNTYWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN; SUPPORTING THE FORMATION OF A TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**WHEREAS**, the movement of people, goods, and services in, around and throughout Palm Beach County relies on an interconnected transportation network and related transportation services, and

**WHEREAS**, the transportation network and transportation services are the responsibility of multiple jurisdictions and governmental agencies such as FDOT, Palm Beach County, municipalities, and various taxing districts and authorities, and

**WHEREAS**, citizens are focused on going to and from their destinations and are mostly unaware of jurisdictional boundaries, ownership responsibilities, and funding sources for these transportation networks and services, and

**WHEREAS**, the quality, manner, and time required for people, goods, and services to move in the county has tremendous impacts on every aspect of life in Palm Beach County, and

**WHEREAS**, population growth in recent years has consistently outpaced the existing transportation network's capabilities creating traffic jams, longer travel times, safety issues, extra expenses, and frustration, and;

**WHEREAS**, population growth is expected to continue to increase for the foreseeable future due to the desirability and quality of life in south Florida and Palm Beach County, and

**WHEREAS**, a Countywide Transportation Plan is the only way to effectively address the issues involved with the transportation network and services that exist now and, in the future, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners, the Town of Highland Beach, and other municipalities, and the taxing districts recognize that working together in a constructive and proactive manner is the only way forward for the benefit of all our citizens, and

**WHEREAS**, expertise in developing a collaborative and comprehensive Countywide Transportation Plan requires the engagement of a Consulting Firm of National/International repute, experience and capabilities, and

**WHEREAS**, the only entity of which the cities and County are officially connected for purposes of working together to address issues of a countywide nature is Intergovernmental Coordination Program (ICP), and

- **WHEREAS**, the ICP is identified in the County and cities' Comprehensive Plan Intergovernmental Coordination Elements (ICE) and whose membership is memorialized via Interlocal Agreements, and
- **WHEREAS**, the ICP membership also includes the taxing authorities and districts who build and maintain transportation infrastructure, and
- **WHEREAS**, the ICP can provide unified, trusted, and collaborative outcomes instead of ones that are ones weighted towards one side or the other, and
- **WHEREAS**, the ICP will need the full support of the members both at the Policy level (elected officials) and staff levels in order to make this process work, and;
- **WHEREAS**, the Town Commission finds that joining with fellow municipalities, Palm Beach County, and other local governments in a collaborative process for purposes of developing and creating a true Countywide Transportation Plan is in the best interests of the Town and serves a valid public purpose.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1**. The recitals set forth above are incorporated into this Resolution as true findings of fact by the Town Commission.
- **Section 2**. The Town Commission supports the following as necessary for the achievement of a Countywide Transportation Plan:
  - 1) The crafting of Scope of Services by the Palm Beach County City Manager's Association (PBCCMA) through an internal process of which the final version will be distributed to the County and the municipalities.
  - 2) The ICP's Multijurisdictional Issues Coordination Forum Executive Committee (MICFEC) shall serve as the Oversight Board for the Consulting Firm hired to craft the Countywide Transportation Plan providing policy level activities specifically related to the contractual relationship, holding of public meetings with the Consulting Firm, providing direction to IPARC 2.0, facilitating engagement and participation of the ICP membership, and making recommendations to the governing bodies of the County, municipalities and others.
  - 3) The formation of an expanded version of the Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Review Committee (IPARC) by adding municipal and County Engineers, Public Works, IT, TPA, FDOT, Tri Rail, Palm Trans, and others as deemed appropriate by MICFEC to serve as the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The Technical Advisory Committee, IPARC 2.0, will provide information as required by the Consulting Firm as the subject matter experts and providing input and advice to the Consulting Firm and MICFEC.
  - 4) The coordination and processing of the contract with the selected Consulting Firm by use of the County government as the responsible agency for contract administration including but not

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limited to assuring compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract and invoice processing and payments.

<u>Section 3.</u> This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

DONE AND ADOPTED by the Town Commission of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, this

\_\_\_\_ day of December 2024.

Natasha Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:

REVIEWED FOR LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY:

Lanelda Gaskins, MMC
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