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City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	August 2, 2017		Item Type: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Resolution X	Ordinance	Other	
Fiscal Impact: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	1st Reading		2nd Reading	
		X					
				Public Hearing: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes X	No	Yes
Funding Source:	N/A			Yes		No	
Account Balance:			Quasi Judicial: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes		No	
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Project Number :	N/A		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:				
Contract/P.O. Required: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Strategic Plan Priority Area: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>				
		X	Safety <input type="checkbox"/>				
			Quality <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
			Vibrant Appeal <input type="checkbox"/>				
Sponsor Name:	Roger M. Carlton, City Manager		Department: Keven Klopp, Development Services Director				

Short Title:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, REQUESTING AND AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF BOLLARDS LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF HALLANDALE BEACH BOULEVARD AND DIXIE HIGHWAY; REQUESTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND BROWARD COUNTY RESTRICT THE NORTHBOUND LEFT TURN LANE ON HALLANDALE BEACH BOULEVARD AT THE INTERSECTION OF NORTHEAST 1ST AVENUE; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF

**THIS RESOLUTION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION AND BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Staff Summary:

Background:

In early 2016, the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway, through its subsidiary All Aboard Florida, in order to allow for a Quiet Zone once their Brightline Passenger service begins, made safety improvements where Hallandale Beach Boulevard crosses their railroad tracks. The safety improvements resulted in the elimination of the westbound Hallandale Beach Boulevard to southbound Dixie Highway at this location.

At the City's request, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) conducted updated traffic counts in this vicinity in January 2016. The results indicated that the left turn movements from eastbound Hallandale Beach Boulevard to northbound NE 1 Avenue were minimal as compared to the through traffic -- just like the westbound to southbound left turn movements had been minimal in comparison to the through traffic. As a result, in February 2016 the City Commission indicated its support by resolution for FDOT to eliminate both left hand turns (northbound and southbound) where Hallandale Beach Boulevard crosses the FEC tracks.

In June 2016, FDOT removed the bollards that previously reduced eastbound Hallandale Beach Boulevard from three lanes to two as it approached the railroad tracks, and in so doing, eliminated the allowance of the left turn lane and left turn movement from eastbound Hallandale Beach Boulevard to northbound NE 1 Ave. Thereafter, businesses and property owners along NE 1 Avenue from Hallandale Beach Boulevard to NE 3 St., via the City Commission, requested the left turn movement be reinstated.

On July 6, 2016 the City Commission voted to request FDOT to reinstate the eastbound left turn movement on Hallandale Beach Boulevard at NE 1 Avenue using a split phase signal timing and without reinstalling the bollards. This was accomplished on July 27, 2016. Thereafter FDOT, Broward County, City Staff, City Administration, and the City Commission received numerous complaints about the resulting delays at the signal. These complaints included traffic frequently backing up into the intersection of US 1 and Hallandale Beach Boulevard.

At the meeting of September 7, 2016, the City Commission voted to request FDOT to reinstate the eastbound to northbound left turn lane with the bollards and the single phase signal. FDOT did so in early October 2016. FDOT moved forward with the design and construction of the improvement on a permanent basis.

On December 21, 2016 the Hallandale Beach City Commission held a discussion on the item with FDOT and BCTED staff present and requested for them not to move forward with the permanent construction of the bollards and instead work to implement the no left turn scenario.

On July 20, 2017, City Staff held a public meeting with staff from FDOT and BCTED present to discuss trailblazer route options, signage and wayfinding should the bollards be permanently removed. The meeting was broadcasted live to over 200 viewers on social media and key stakeholders were present to give input.

Why Action is Necessary:

The City Commission gave direction to City staff to bring back a resolution approving the removal of the bollards on Hallandale Beach Boulevard and eliminating the northbound left turn on Hallandale Beach Boulevard by NE 1st Ave.

Proposed Action:

City Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Commission request and authorize the removal of bollards located at the intersection of Hallandale Beach Boulevard and Dixie Highway; request the Florida Department of Transportation and Broward County eliminate the northbound left turn lane on Hallandale Beach Boulevard at the intersection of Northeast 1st Avenue; and direct the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Florida Department of Transportation and Broward County.

Attachment(s):

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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