June 29, 2020

Ms. Daniella Levine Cava, Chair
South Florida Regional Planning Council
1 Oakwood Blvd, Suite 250
Hollywood, FL 33020

Dear Chair Cava and Council:

Enclosed please find a certified copy of Resolution No. 20-106; supporting the petitions for administrative hearing submitted on June 4, 2020 by Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority (FKAA) and the Florida Keys Fishing Guides Association (FKFGA), to address the April 13, 2020 Notice of Intent by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to issue a permit to Florida Power & Light (FPL) to operate wastewater treatment and effluent disposal facilities at the Turkey Point Power Plant that was approved by the Key West City Commission at a regular City Commission meeting held June 16, 2020.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Smith, MMC, CPM
City Clerk

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Enclosure
(Res 20-106)
RESOLUTION NO. 20-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PETITIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SUBMITTED ON JUNE 4, 2020 BY FLORIDA KEYS AQUEDUCT AUTHORITY (FKAA) AND THE FLORIDA KEYS FISHING GUIDES ASSOCIATION (FKFGA), TO ADDRESS THE APRIL 13, 2020 NOTICE OF INTENT BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) TO ISSUE A PERMIT TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT (FPL) TO OPERATE WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND EFFLUENT DISPOSAL FACILITIES (KNOWN AS THE COOLING CANALS) AT THE TURKEY POINT POWER PLANT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO EXPEND AVAILABLE RESOURCES IF NECESSARY IN SUPPORT OF FKAA’S POSITION; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PROVIDE COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE MAYOR AND EACH COMMISSIONER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AND TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL; REQUESTING A PRESENTATION FROM FLORIDA KEYS AQUEDUCT AUTHORITY ADDRESSING THIS SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority (FKAA), Key West’s sole supplier of fresh water, in conjunction with the Florida Keys Fishing Guides Association (FKFGA), filed petitions on June 4, 2020, for an Administrative Hearing, challenging the FDEP’s notice of intent to issue a new pollution permit to FPL to operate the cooling canals at Turkey Point Nuclear Plant; and
WHEREAS, past operations of the nuclear facility by FPL have resulted in the creation of a large saltwater (hypersaline) plume which continues to threaten the Florida Keys and Key West with loss of its fresh water supply drawn from wells in the Biscayne Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission shares concerns with FKAA, and FKFGA and the Monroe County Board of County Commissioners that the proposed permit will jeopardize ongoing efforts to eradicate the hypersaline plume and have a negative impact on surrounding waters, and on the fresh water supply for over 87,000 residents of the Florida Keys, and the military installations located there.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Commission supports the Petitions for Administrative Hearing filed by FKAA and FKFGA on June 4, 2020 directed to the April 13, 2020 Notice of Intent by FDEP to issue a permit to FPL to operate wastewater treatment and effluent disposal facilities at the Turkey Point Power Plant.
Section 2: That the City Commission authorizes the City Attorney to expend available resources if necessary in support of FKAA's position.

Section 3: That the City Clerk is directed to provide copies of this Resolution to the Mayor and Commissioners of Miami-Dade County and to the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

Section 4: That the City Commission requests a presentation from the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority Executive Director addressing this concern.

Section 5: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the Presiding Officer and the Clerk of the Commission.
Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 16th day of June, 2020.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on 22nd day of June, 2020.

Filed with the Clerk on June 22, 2020.

Mayor Teri Johnston
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman
Commissioner Gregory Davila
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover
Commissioner Clayton Lopez
Commissioner Billy Wardlow
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley

Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

ATTEST:

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF MONROE, CITY OF KEY WEST
This copy is a true copy of the public record on file in this office. Witness my hand and official seal this 26th day of June, 2020.

Cheryl Smith, City Clerk

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