



MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM #IV.F

DATE: NOVEMBER 23, 2020

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: STAFF

SUBJECT: SFRPC RESOLUTION 20-01 (2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN)

At its October 19, 2020 meeting, the Council Board received a presentation on the Southeast Florida Transportation Council's (SEFTC) 2045 Regional Transportation Plan from guests Aileen Bouclé, Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), and Paul Calvaresi, Local Governmental Services Manager with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

The SEFTC is a partnership of the Miami-Dade TPO, Broward MPO, and Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA). It serves as a formal forum for policy coordination and communication and undertakes regional planning efforts for all transportation modes including:

- Regional transportation plans covering the tri-county region
- Regional project prioritization
- Regional transit and freight systems
- Regional public involvement
- Regional performance measurement
- Regional transportation improvement program

Following the presentation, a Council Resolution of Support was requested on behalf of SEFTC. The Resolution is presented herewith for your review and consideration.

Recommendation

Adopt Resolution 20-01.





Resolution 20-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICIES IDENTIFIED IN THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (SEFTC) 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the South Florida Regional Planning Council is a regional public policy and planning agency representing the geographic area of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Monroe counties and voluntarily created pursuant to an Interlocal Agreement of Monroe, Miami-Dade, and Broward counties, and Florida Statute;

WHEREAS, the Council Board consists of county and municipal elected officials, gubernatorial appointees, and ex-officio representatives representing the South Florida Water Management District and the Florida departments of Transportation, Environmental Protection, and Economic Opportunity;

WHEREAS, the Council's mission is to work with, and provide assistance to, its member units of local governments and other regional stakeholders to develop and implement creative strategies that will result in more prosperous and equitable communities, a healthier and cleaner environment, and a more vibrant economy;

WHEREAS, in 2010 the South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils, in collaboration with regional stakeholders, spearheaded the development of the seven-county Southeast Florida Regional Partnership and its successful designation as an inaugural U.S. HUD Sustainable Community;

WHEREAS, completed in 2014, the Partnership's *Seven50: Southeast Florida Prosperity Plan*, a 50-year vision and plan, reflects general agreement around priority initiatives and investment in key areas of importance to Southeast Florida's future;

WHEREAS, broadly stated, these initiatives are focused on issues related to Everglades and waterways; balanced mobility / transportation; climate preparedness and resilience; education and workforce; and economic competitiveness and opportunity;

WHEREAS, the Partnership's *Seven50: Southeast Florida Prosperity Plan* highlights a "*Region in Motion*" as the preferred development scenario with an emphasis on quality transit and transit-oriented development as critical to the region's future resiliency and greater prosperity;

WHEREAS, the Southeast Florida Transportation Council (SEFTC) was created in 2006 through an Interlocal Agreement among the Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Metropolitan/Transportation Planning Organizations/Agencies to strengthen regional transportation planning coordination and to prepare a Regional Transportation Plan;

WHEREAS, every five years the Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Metropolitan/Transportation Planning Organizations/Agencies identify transportation needs and assigns eligible funds through the long-range planning process;

WHEREAS, every five years SEFTC creates a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for Southeast Florida, in coordination with other regional and local plans, while moving toward an agreed-upon vision for transportation in South Florida;

WHEREAS, the 2045 RTP, unanimously adopted by SEFTC on August 7, 2020, includes a comprehensive review of transportation funding sources and programs currently utilized and available to the Southeast Florida region;

WHEREAS, SEFTC concluded that there is currently a misalignment between eligible funding uses and identified transportation needs, and that transportation planning and funding policies would need to change to meet the transportation needs of Southeast Florida's growing population and economy;

WHEREAS, the analysis has shown that investments in a robust transit system and associated land use will accommodate both the current and future population at no additional cost;

WHEREAS, the adopted 2045 RTP includes recommendations for transportation planning and funding policies to meet future needs;

WHEREAS, regional transit is key to support anticipated growth and long-term mobility, complementary land use is essential, increased flexibility within funding programs is crucial and New revenue sources are necessary, to move the growing population of Southeast Florida;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, that the Council wishes to express its support for the Southeast Florida Transportation Council 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. This plan will advance implementation of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership's Seven50: Southeast Florida Regional Prosperity Plan by reducing congestion and greenhouse gas emissions; enhancing connectivity and economic opportunity for communities and the region's workforce; and enhancing regional mobility.

ADOPTED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, THIS 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Steve Geller, Chair