

17th Street Mobility Plan Working Group

Kick-Off Meeting

August 29, 2017

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Fort Lauderdale City Hall | 8th Floor Cafeteria

Meeting Summary

City Commissioner Romney Rogers kicked the meeting off explaining the intent of the working group to “Evaluate, Educate, and Implement” the SE 17th Street Mobility Plan. Roundtable introductions then took place (attendee list attached as part of this document). Elizabeth Van Zandt, City Transportation and Mobility, did a brief presentation highlighting the plan efforts and the high impact recommendations out of the plan, to include: 1) construction of a bypass road for Port/ Convention Center direct access, 2) enforce truck routing to the Port using Eller Drive, 3) explore working with the property owners along SE 17th Street to install a shared-use path within the City’s 20’ interdistrict corridor designation, 4) evaluate establishing a southern parallel street to SE 17th Street, 5) add an additional lane onto the 595 on-ramp, 6) install wayfinding signage through the corridor, 7) redesign the intersection of Eisenhower Boulevard and Grande Drive, 8) institute special event signal timing plans for events at the Convention Center and for high cruise days at the Port, 9) make changes to the development review and mitigation process, and 10) form a working group to shepherd the plan recommendations to implementation. Extensive discussion took place by the group on the above recommendations, the issues at large along the corridor, and the different efforts going on in the area related to this topic. Broward County emphasized their strong desire to be a partner at the table with the City, the State, and the community at large. Each attendee was given an opportunity to speak at the end.

The group reached consensus on the following:

1. Recurring meeting date, time, and location will be the last Tuesday of the month from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at City Hall – 8th Floor.
2. The area of highest concern along SE 17th Street and established as the priority is from Eisenhower Boulevard to US 1/Federal Highway.
3. The traffic count/data collection as part of the Convention Center development project will occur on 12/17/17 when there will be 8 cruise ships in Port. Additional dates still need to be agreed upon.
4. An updated Origin and Destination Study (O&D Study) should be completed.

Action items for the September meeting include:

1. Rank the high impact recommendations in order of priority (1 being the most preferred). City staff to send out a ranking sheet in advance of the meeting.
2. City staff to get a copy of the Port O&D Study done in 2007 and send to working group.
3. Port Everglades/ Broward County to further explore routing trucks to Eller Drive.

Note: An audio recording of the meeting is available and minutes will be transcribed and made available after 9/20. Please request to Robert Modys at rmodys@fortlauderdale.gov if you would like a copy of either one.

Sign in Sheet from 8/29/17 SE 17th Street Kick-Off Meeting

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