



#### Memorandum

Memorandum No: 24-003

Date: January 8, 2024

**To:** Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Commissioners

From: Greg Chavarria, City Manager Greg Chavarria (Jan 8, 2024 15:30 EST)

Re: SE 17th Street Mobility Hub Project Update

In partnership with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), the City has embarked on a project focused on improving mobility along SE/SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street between US-1/Federal Highway and SW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

SE/SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street has historically been identified by both the City and the MPO as a key corridor in need of mobility improvements due to its importance to east-west connectivity. The MPO completed a Complete Streets Master Plan (CSMP) to guide the future investments by creating a prioritized list of projects based on technical, data driven analysis and community input.

On May 2, 2023, the City Commission adopted Resolution 23-84 in support of the MPO's complete streets project on SE/SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street from US-1/Federal Highway to SW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue that would add bicycle accommodations, fill sidewalk gaps, add traffic calming to help improve the transportation connectivity to/from the future Broward Commuter Rail station at SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street and the Florida East Coast Railway.

In June 2023, the MPO notified the City of available Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding for the SE/SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street project. Since that time, the City and the MPO staff have been meeting with stakeholders along the corridor to develop preliminary concepts.

The first public meeting to present the preliminary concepts and seek public feedback will be held on January 11, 2024, at 6pm at Broward Medical Center 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room of the main building. The second public meeting is expected in March.

The final concept plan will be presented to the City Commission in April for Commission support to move forward into design phase. If approved, the design phase is expected to start this summer, with construction anticipated in FY26/27. The Metro Transportation Engineering & Construction Cooperative (MTECC) will manage the design and construction of the project. MTECC membership was approved by the City Commission on October 17, 2023 (CAM 23-0847).

If you have any questions, please contact Ben Rogers, Director of Transportation and Mobility, at <a href="mailto:brogers@fortlauderdale.gov">brogers@fortlauderdale.gov</a>.

Attachments – SE/SW 17<sup>th</sup> Street Meeting Flyer

c: Anthony G. Fajardo, Assistant City Manager Susan Grant, Assistant City Manager Thomas J. Ansbro, City Attorney David R. Soloman, City Clerk Patrick Reilly, City Auditor Department Directors CMO Managers





# MOBILITY HUB @ SW/SE 17TH ST

## COMMUNITY MEETING



## PLEASE JOIN US

to learn about and provide input on the recommended improvements to SW/SE 17th St.

WHEN **JANUARY 11, 2024** @ 6:00 P.M.

### **WHERE**

**Broward Health Medical Center** 1600 South Andrews Avenue **2nd Floor Auditorium** Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

## **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Produce a locally supported conceptual design for the segment of SW/SE 17th Street from SW 9th Avenue to US-1 that provides safe and comfortable bicycle and pedestrian facilities connecting to the proposed Broward Commuter Rail Station.

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