



## MEMORANDUM

To: City of Hollywood

From: Brady Walker  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

Date: 12/05/2014

Subject: **Wildlife Protection Plan**

In response to comment section P from the Preliminary Technical Advisory Committee Report dated May 5, 2014, Kimley-Horn conducted a review of the Okomo Park in order to characterize the existing conditions relative to existing wildlife as well as the potential for use by threatened and/or endangered species and the presence of their habitat. The project site is currently in use as a trailer park and is located in between Taft Street and Sheridan Street immediately west of I-95 in a highly urbanized area of Hollywood, FL. A South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) Tri-Rail Station, the Sheridan Street Station, is located immediately north of the project site and the Tri-Rail rails form the western boundary of the project site. A mature canopy of oaks (*Quercus sp.*) is present throughout the site with little understory aside from scattered ruderal vegetation (grasses and weeds) and landscaping (palm trees and ornamental bushes).

In addition to a site visit, Kimley-Horn reviewed the Florida Natural Areas Inventory (FNAI) Biodiversity Matrix (<http://www.fnai.org/biointro.cfm>) to identify potential species that may occur within the project area. Based on field reconnaissance, an assessment of habitat availability, and a review of the aforementioned database, no threatened or endangered species are likely to occur onsite. However, during field reconnaissance, visual sightings of feral cats were made, as well as evidence (tracks and scat) of raccoons and opossums. In order to comply with the City of Hollywood's Code of Ordinances, a wildlife trapper was contacted to provide an estimate of the required services to remove the existing feral cat population prior to initiation of clearing activities onsite. All other species trapped during the process will be released onsite. It is Kimley-Horn's belief that two weeks of trapping for the feral cats is adequate to comply with the City of Hollywood's Code of Ordinances. It is also Kimley-Horn's understanding that no other species, other than feral cats, require removal prior to initial clearing activities. The site does not provide habitat for any threatened and/or endangered species.