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Dr. Wazir Ishmael  
City Manager  
City of Hollywood, Florida  
2600 Hollywood Blvd Room 419  
Hollywood, FL 33022

**RE: Johnson Street Complete Streets Project  
Financial Project No. 434672-1**

Dear Dr. Ishmael,

The Broward MPO continues to work in partnership with the City of Hollywood on the implementation of this important project. The current scope developed by the City staff in collaboration with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), includes a continuous on-street bicycle lane throughout the corridor in addition to other essential elements such as sidewalks, upgraded traffic signals, pedestrian level lighting and ADA upgrades. Due to the limited right-of-way (ROW) available on this constrained corridor, the purchase of ROW is required thereby impacting several parcels along the corridor. FDOT has developed cost estimates for this ROW acquisition. Current estimates project ROW costs to be \$7.7 million.

In an effort to minimize impacts to residents along the corridor and reduce ROW costs, another alternative has been developed that maintains the original intent of the project while addressing these impacts. This alternative proposes to install shared-lane markings or “sharrows” in the most constrained area of the corridor (from N. 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue to N. 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue) instead of an on-street bike lane as originally proposed. Although costs and impacts are expected to be reduced with this alternative, ROW acquisition, to a less extent, will still be required. FDOT, who is delivering the project on behalf of the Broward MPO and the City, would need direction from the City in order to develop/update the ROW costs. This proposed alternative considerably changes the scope of the original project. This necessitates immediate action from the City of Hollywood since FDOT is working under a very tight schedule.

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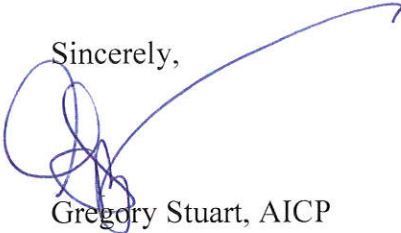
In order to deliver the project as scheduled and not jeopardize funding, the City must meet the following deadlines as established by FDOT:

- January 10, 2017 – Typical section (scope) package has to be approved and signed by the City Engineer endorsing the original or proposed alternative. This is critical as FDOT would need time to revise ROW cost estimates if the proposed alternative is selected.
- February 15, 2017 – Commission resolution outlining funding commitments to be used to develop the Local Funding Agreement (LFA) required.
- April 15, 2017 – executed LFA

This project will be at risk of losing funding and being cancelled if the above deadlines are not met.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. We look forward to continue working in partnership with the City of Hollywood in the implementation of the Johnson Street Complete Streets project.

Sincerely,



Gregory Stuart, AICP  
Executive Director

**Cc:** Luis Lopez, City of Hollywood Engineer