

RESOLUTION NO. 0414

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF FLORIDA FUND THE COST OF QUIET ZONES AT THE MUNICIPAL RAILROAD CROSSINGS LOCATED WITHIN THE ALL ABOARD FLORIDA PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Delray Beach (City) supports the efforts of All Aboard Florida to construct a high speed passenger rail system from Miami to Orlando along the FEC tracks (the "All Aboard Florida Project"); and .

WHEREAS, there are 11 railroad crossings along the FEC tracks within the municipal boundaries of the City; and

WHEREAS, the All Aboard Florida Project will increase railroad traffic and railroad noise within the City; and

WHEREAS, there are thousands of people in the City who either reside or work in very close proximity to these crossings and who would be significantly affected in their daily lives by the noise of the trains blowing their horns at the 11 FEC crossings if there is no quiet zone designation for those areas; and

WHEREAS, quiet zones are needed at all affected municipal railroad crossings in order to mitigate the impacts of increased railroad traffic and railroad noise and to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City's residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has expressed its commitment to the success of the All Aboard Florida Project; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost of upgrading the infrastructure at the crossings so that they meet federal quiet zone standards could be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars for each crossing, resulting in a potential total cost of several million dollars to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City needs the financial assistance of the State of Florida to pay for quiet zones at its municipal railroad crossings within the All Aboard Florida Project

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Commission of the City of Delray Beach hereby formally requests that the State of Florida fund the cost of quiet zones at all municipal railroad crossings within the City of Delray Beach.


Section 2. A copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Rick Scott, Chief Financial Officer Jeffrey Atwater, and Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Ananth Prasad.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 7th day of January, 2014.

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

  
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Mayor Cary D. Glickstein