

RESOLUTION NO. 100-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE DELRAY BEACH TRI-RAIL COASTAL LINK TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN (“MASTER PLAN”) CREATED BY THE TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL IN COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH AND THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY; APPROVING THE STATION LOCATION AS SHOWN IN THE MASTER PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (“SFRTA”) secured a Pilot Planning Grant from the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”) to fund station area planning activities along the planned Tri-Rail Coastal Link Corridor to study and implement ways to improve mobility, quality of life, economic vitality, and improve transit-oriented development (“TOD”) around the planned Tri-Coastal Link stations; and

WHEREAS, in May 2017, the City of Delray Beach (“City”) was one of three municipalities to participate in the Pilot Planning Grant program to develop a master plan for the area around the planned Tri-Coastal Link station in the City’s downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Delray Beach Tri-Rail Coastal Link TOD Master Plan (“Master Plan”), included as Exhibit “A”, was funded by the Pilot Planning Grant along with matching funds provided by the Community Redevelopment Agency (“CRA”; and

WHEREAS, in August 2017, the City, in collaboration with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (“TCRPC”) and the SFRTA, held a public economic development and urban design charrette to engage the community in the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Master Plan was to develop recommended strategies to improve TOD conditions around the planned Tri-Rail Coastal Link station in downtown Delray Beach to reflect the character of Delray Beach, support future mobility options including the rail service, and support rail service ridership; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan was also designed to advance the implementation of “Complete Streets,” which is a local, regional, and national priority to improve transportation facilities using multi-modal designs to provide the best and safest accommodations for all users – motorists, cyclists, pedestrians, and transit users; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan recommends that the City begin efforts to design, fund, and construct a station in the proposed location and design, fund, and construct projects to improve the pedestrian connection/experience of the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan also recommends taking time to prioritize the community's needs, experience the new Tri-Rail Coastal Link service, and capture the full economic benefit of the new transit service prior to undertaking significant transit-oriented development; and

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Master Plan (including but not limited to, station design, funding, and construction; TOD-supportive standards and incentives; and infrastructure projects) will be further analyzed and vetted with the community prior to consideration by the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the recommendations of the Master Plan are in the best interest of the City and will promote mobility, quality of life, economic vitality, and improve TODs around the planned Tri-Coastal Link station in downtown Delray Beach.

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby affirmed and ratified by the City Commission of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City Commission hereby approves the proposed station location identified in the Delray Beach Tri-Rail Coastal Link Transit-Oriented Development Master Plan and authorizes the initiation of the design and financial planning for the station.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session on this ____ day of November, 2018.

ATTEST:

Shelly Petrolia, Mayor

Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

R. Max Lohman, City Attorney