

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, ACKNOWLEDGING THE NEED TO PROMPTLY REMEDY THE DANGEROUS NATURE OF CROSSWALKS ON NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY STAFF TO REMEDY SUCH HAZARDOUS CROSSWALK CONDITIONS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE; AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF UP TO \$300,000.00 FROM THE FY 17-18 STREET PAVING APPROPRIATION FOR THE DESIGN AND PLACEMENT OF RED LIGHT PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED LIGHT SYSTEMS AT THE CROSSWALKS ALONG NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD, AND THE REMOVAL OF CROSSWALKS DEEMED UNNECESSARY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE CROSSWALK CLOSEST TO KENNEDY DRIVE, IN COORDINATION WITH FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT); ACKNOWLEDGING ASSURANCES FROM FDOT PERSONNEL THAT SUCH FUNDS EXPENDED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CROSSWALK SAFETY ON NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD, WILL BE REIMBURSED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO FACILITATE THE REIMBURSEMENT OF SUCH FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, during the course of improvements to North Roosevelt Boulevard, the Florida Department of Transportation installed certain pedestrian crosswalks, with signage and/or blinking lights, which are dangerous to pedestrians and drivers alike; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has made repeated requests through City staff to FDOT, resulting in studies and findings and reports, but minimal action to date; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds it is necessary to take action to improve pedestrian safety along North Roosevelt Boulevard without delay; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the City Commission acknowledges that the current configuration of crosswalks on North Roosevelt Boulevard is hazardous, and prompt action to remedy the situation is necessary.

Section 2: That the City Manager and City staff are directed to develop plans and commence work to remedy such hazardous crosswalk conditions as quickly as possible.

Section 3: That a budget amendment is authorized, for the expenditure of up to \$300,000.00, from the FY 17-18 Street Paving Appropriation, for the design and placement of red light pedestrian activated light systems at certain crosswalks along North Roosevelt Boulevard, and for the removal of certain unnecessary crosswalks, including but not limited to the one closest to Kennedy Drive, in coordination with FDOT.

Section 4: That the City Commission acknowledges assurances received from FDOT personnel that City funds expended for crosswalk safety on North Roosevelt Boulevard will be reimbursed by the State of Florida.

Section 5: That the City Manager is directed to ensure that all necessary steps are taken to secure State reimbursement for crosswalk improvements.

Section 6: That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2017.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2017.

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| Mayor Craig Cates | _____ |
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| Commissioner Billy Wardlow | _____ |
| Commissioner Jimmy Weekley | _____ |

CRAIG CATES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK