

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF FLORIDA/FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RELIABLE AND AFFORDABLE EV CHARGING NETWORK IN KEY WEST AND THE FLORIDA KEYS WITH FUNDING ALLOCATED THROUGH THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE (NEVI) FORMULA PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO WORK WITH COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES AS NECESSARY TO FACILITATE DESIGN, PERMITTING AND CONSTRUCTION TO EXPEDITE THIS EV INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law includes steps to build a nationwide electric vehicle charging network, and with a set of approvals authorized on September 14, 2022 for 35 states, including Florida, the country will be moving forward to use these funds to install EV chargers at regular, reliable intervals along highways; and

WHEREAS, the increasing number of electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles on the road, combined with the single-highway geography of the Florida Keys make it especially critical to establish a reliable EV Charging network; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that build out of EV Charging Infrastructure is a critical need for Key West and the Florida Keys, and it must be a priority for the State of Florida/ Florida Department of Transportation to construct EV charging

facilities in Key West and along US 1, to ensure accessibility and safety for residents and visitors alike; and

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

Section 1: That the State of Florida/Florida Department of Transportation is requested to prioritize the construction of a regular, reliable and affordable EV charging network in Key West and the Florida Keys, using the funding allocated under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program, and any related programs for electric vehicle infrastructure.

Section 2: The City Commission authorizes the City Manager work closely with the Board of County Commissioners, the Florida Department of Transportation and all involved state and federal agencies to ensure that EV infrastructure design, construction and permitting is expedited in Key West and the Florida Keys.

Section 3: That the City Clerk is authorized to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to Governor Ron DeSantis, Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Jared Purdue, FDOT District 6 Secretary Stacy Miller, State Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, State Representative James "Jim" Mooney, Jr., and Monroe County Mayor David Rice.

Section 4: 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 _____, 2022.

Authenticated by the Presiding Officer and Clerk of the Commission on _____ day of _____, 2022.

Filed with the Clerk on _____, 2022.

Mayor Teri Johnston	_____
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Gregory Davila	_____
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	_____
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	_____
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	_____
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	_____

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK