RESOLUTION NO. 2021-R-136

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF LEASE AMENDMENTS, EASEMENTS AND DEEDS FOR THE TRANSFER OF CITY-OWNED LAND LOCATED ALONG N.E. 151 STREET FROM BISCAYNE BOULEVARD TO BAY VISTA BOULEVARD TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS ALONG 151 STREET; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE CONVEYANCE OF SAID PROPERTY INCLUDING THE EXECUTION OF ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TO EFFECTUATE THE TRANSFER AND FACILITATE THE ROADWAY PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Florida International University ("FIU") Biscayne Bay Campus currently only has one access connection located on N.E. 151 Street which also serves as the primary access to the 193-acre Sole Mia planned community, as well as the only access connection to the City of North Miami Athletic Stadium, the David Lawrence Jr K-8 School and to the Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High School; and

WHEREAS, as a result, there is currently heavy traffic congestion along N.E. 151 Street and it is anticipated that these conditions will be further aggravated by the addition of MAST Academy, which is currently under construction on the FIU campus, and any future planned expansions to the FIU campus; and

WHEREAS, N.E. 151 Street is currently a four (4) lane divided roadway with poor drainage along certain portions of the roadway. Based on studies performed by the Miami-Dade County ("MDC") Metropolitan Planning Organization and the MDC Public Works Department, it was determined that the only feasible option is to widen N.E. 151 Street to a six (6) lane roadway; and

WHEREAS, MDC has funded a roadway project which consists of improvements to N.E. 151 Street from Biscayne Boulevard to Bay Vista Boulevard that include, reconstruction of the existing 4-lane roadway to a 6-lane roadway with raised medians, bike lanes, sidewalks, curbs and
gutters, stormwater drainage system with outfall, pavement markings and signage, signalization modifications and roadway lighting; and

WHEREAS, facilitation of this project requires that land be acquired by MDC from the adjacent property owners, specifically the City of North Miami (“City”) for usage as a right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, portions of the subject city-owned land are currently encumbered by lease agreements between the City and the Miami-Dade County School Board and Oleta Partners, LLC; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City enter into lease amendments to remove the encumbered land from the leased premises and provide updated legal descriptions for the leased parcels to ensure the acquisition of unencumbered land by MDC; and

WHEREAS, the City’s execution of deeds providing for the conveyance of the City-owned land to MDC is in the public’s best interest and welfare by allowing the use of the land as a Right-of-Way to facilitate the construction of the proposed improvements to N.E 151 Street; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami have determined that MDC requires the city-owned land for such use, and the land is not otherwise needed for City purposes inconsistent with said use; and

WHEREAS, the conveyance of the City-owned land to MDC for said purposes shall be for no monetary compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to authorize the execution of lease amendments, deeds, and all other necessary documents to facilitate the roadway improvements to N.E. 151 Street.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT Duly Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida:

Section 1. Deeds. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the execution of deeds for the transfer of the City-owned land along N.E 151 Street from Biscayne Boulevard to Bay Vista Boulevard.
Section 2. **Lease Amendments.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the execution of amendments to the current lease agreements with the Miami-Dade County School Board and Oleta Partners, LLC to remove the subject City-owned land from the current leased premises.

Section 3. **City Deeds.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the execution of deeds conveying city-owned property to Miami-Dade County.

Section 4. **Authority of City Manager.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager to take all actions necessary to accomplish the conveyance of the city-owned land to Miami-Dade County and to execute all documents necessary to facilitate the roadway improvements at N.E 151 Street.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 12th day of October, 2021.

PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME
MAYOR

ATTEST:

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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Moved by: Galvin
Seconded by: Bien-Aime
Vote:

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Councilwoman Kassandra Timothe, MPA  
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin  
Councilman Alix Desulme, Ed.D.  

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