

MPO RESOLUTION #03-09

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2009 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TRANSFERRING A FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY AND SYSTEM PRESERVATION (TCSP) GRANT

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement creating and establishing the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area requires that the MPO provide a structure to evaluate the adequacy of the transportation planning and programming process; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Planning Council (TPC) has been established and charged with the responsibility and duty of fulfilling the aforementioned functions; and

WHEREAS, the TPC has reviewed the amendment to FY 2009 TIP, made a part hereof, and finds it consistent with the goals and objectives of the Transportation Plan for the Miami Urbanized Area,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA, that the attached amendment to FY 2009 Transportation Improvement Program transferring a Federal Transportation and Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Grant is hereby approved.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was moved by Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz. The motion was seconded by Board Member Carlos A. Gimenez, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

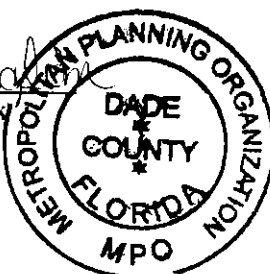
Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro-Aye
Vice Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan-Aye

Board Member Lynda Bell	-Aye	Board Member Joe A. Martinez	-Absent
Board Member Matti Herrera Bower	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Kevin A. Burns	-Aye	Board Member Julio Robaina	-Aye
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Dorrin D. Rolle	-Absent
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Aye	Board Member Marc D. Sarnoff	-Absent
Board Member Shirley M. Gibson	-Aye	Board Member Natacha Scijas	-Absent
Board Member Carlos A. Gimenez	-Aye	Board Member Katy Sorenson	-Aye
Board Member Perla T. Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member William H. Kerdyk	-Absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 29th day of January, 2009.

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
M.P.O.**

By Zainab Salim
Zainab Salim, Clerk
MPO Secretariat





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STEPHANIE C. KOPELOUSOS
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December 15, 2008

Mr. Jose-Luis Mesa, Secretariat
Metropolitan Planning Organization
111 Northwest First Street, Suite 920
Miami, Florida 33128



Dear Mr. Mesa:

**SUBJECT: FY 2008-09 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment
FM No. 418950-2, Miami-Dade County Commodore Trail Project**

The Department requests that your office process this amendment to the adopted Miami Urbanized Area's FY 2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in order to transfer a \$212,040 Federal Transportation and Community and System Preservation (TCSP) grant to the County's existing Commodore Trail Project. This grant originally was earmarked for pedestrian enhancements on Biscayne Boulevard at the Arsht Center for the Performing Arts. The grant was never utilized because the Biscayne Boulevard project was completed with local funds prior to executing the grant agreement.

The Department has worked with the Federal Highway Administration, Miami-Dade County Public Works and Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen's office in order to determine the most appropriate use of these funds. These consultations resulted in the decision to transfer the unspent funds to the Commodore Trail project. This action will not impact funding of any other project in the TIP.

The attached spreadsheet shows the proposed amendment in the usual TIP format. The Department appreciates your expeditious handling of this request. Please call me at 470-5464 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Alice N. Bravo, P.E.
District Director of Transportation Development

Attachment

Cc:

Gus Pego
Gary Donn
Leigh Cann

Linda J. Glass Johnson
Danny Iglesias

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	OLD ITEM								
COUNTY	PROJ LGTH	TYPE OF WORK	EXIST/IMPROVE/ADD (LANES)	FISCAL YEAR	FUND	PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING	RIGHT-OF-WAY	RAILROADS & UTILITIES	CONSTRUCTION	GRANTS & MISC.

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~~CENTER PEDESTRIAN PLAZA & TRAFFIC CALMING~~
~~MIAMI DADE PEDESTRIAN/WILDLIFE UNDERPASS~~

COMMODORE TRAIL BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN TRAIL

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Items that are ~~struck through~~ are deleted; items that are underlined have been added.

**Miami-Dade County
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)**

TIP AMENDMENT FORM

Date Submitted: December 15, 2008

Project ID#: 418950-2

Submitted by: Alice Bravo

Project Title: Miami-Dade County Commodore Trail Project

Project Description (brief): This project is for the construction of a bicycle and pedestrian trail extending from SW 216th Street to approximately NE 79th Street.

PROJECT AMENDMENT:

Type of Amendment	Funding	X	Time Schedule	
	Funding Level		Scope of Work	

Amendment Description (brief): This amendment is required to transfer a \$212,040 Federal Transportation and Community and System Preservation (TCSP) grant to the County's existing Commodore Trail Project. This grant originally was earmarked for pedestrian enhancements on Biscayne Boulevard at the Arsht Center for the Performing Arts. The grant was never utilized because the Biscayne Boulevard project was completed with local funds prior to executing the grant agreement.

Justification for the Amendment: This amendment will allow unspent TCSP grant funds to be utilized.

Other Comments:

Requested amendment affect other projects	Yes		If yes...	Local	
	No	X		State	

Please, indicate affected projects:	1	
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Project has been previously amended	Yes		If yes...	Date	
	No	X		MPO Res. #	

Contact Person:	Alice Bravo	Title	District Director of Transportation Development
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**Congress of the United States
House of Representatives**

ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN
18TH DISTRICT, FLORIDA

October 2, 2008

Mr. Phil Steinmiller
Planning Manager
Florida Department of Transportation
District Six, Planning & Environmental Management Office
1000 NW 111 Avenue
Miami, FL 33172

Dear Mr. Steinmiller:

I am writing in support of the re-allocation of previously appropriated federal funding to the Commodore Trail Concept Plan.

This change has the full support of my local government, Miami-Dade County, as well as your agency. The Commodore Trail is a portion of a county-designated bicycle facility – Bike Route 1. Bike Route 1 extends along the eastern coast of Miami Dade from SW 216th Street to approximately NE 79th Street.

I understand that the Commodore Trail will fit in well with Miami-Dade County's Parks and Public Works master plans. It will provide a new and improved greenway linking our parks, downtown and important historical sites such as Vizcaya. Also the Commodore Trail will pave the way for better public health, better transportation connections, as well as provide alternatives to driving. This will definitely enhance Miami-Dade's reputation as an innovative – and green – capital of the Americas.

Again, I appreciate your assistance in carrying out this request as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen
Member of Congress

IRL:joc

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