



MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # **277-2011**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: November 7, 2011

SUBJECT: West Avenue Bridge Project Development and Environment Study Alternatives Workshop

This Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to inform the Mayor and City Commissioners that potential alternatives for a low-level bridge over the Collins Canal at West Avenue have been developed as part of the West Avenue Bridge Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. The bridge concepts include alternative bridge widths comprised of various lanes, sidewalks and bike lanes. A no-build alternative, in which no bridge is constructed and only minor improvements to traffic signals, pavement markings, signage, and low-cost changes to the streets and sidewalks in the area are made is also a part of the evaluation.

The bridge alternatives, and the no-build option, will be presented to the public at a workshop on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Miami Beach Regional Library, 227 22 Street, Miami Beach, Florida 33139. During the workshop, maps, drawings and other project information will be available for review and the public will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments to the project team.

Community outreach is underway to inform the impacted public and to generate attendance at the workshop. Elected and appointed officials, property owners, business owners, residents, homeowner associations and other special interest groups will receive a letter of invitation. Flyers will be delivered door-to-door and the attached display advertisement will run in the Miami Herald in advance of the meeting.

After the November 15 public workshop, City staff will be scheduling briefings with each of you to review in detail the design alternatives and the public input received.

If you have questions, please contact me.

Attachment:

Public Meeting Notice

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PUBLIC NOTICE

West Avenue Bridge Project Development and Environment Study Financial Project ID: 4209101

The City of Miami Beach will conduct a public workshop to present potential alternatives for a low-level bridge over the Collins Canal at West Avenue, developed as part of the West Avenue Bridge Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. The bridge concepts that will be presented include alternative bridge widths comprised of various lanes, sidewalks and bike lanes. An alternative in which no bridge is constructed will also be presented.

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For comments or questions please call the **Public Information Officer Yvette Holt at (786) 552-0000.**



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