

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-55

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST,
FLORIDA, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE MIAMI-
DADE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S
PROPOSED US 1 EXPRESS PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR
AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization in coordination with the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) is studying the US 1 Express Project, a proposed tolled expressway on the South Dade Busway along the Village's main commercial corridor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will dramatically increase traffic congestion in the Village and abutting areas, and undermine existing and proposed transit routes along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will replace the first Bus Rapid Transit Corridor in the country with an elevated toll expressway with severe detrimental effects to the business community as well as the abutting residential communities; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Miami-Dade County approved a transit expansion plan for the South Dade Busway in the People's Transportation Plan (2002) providing for rail expansion along this corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council wishes to express opposition to the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF PINECREST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Village Council hereby expresses opposition to the proposed US 1 Express Project and requests that the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization suspend the current study authorized under MPO Resolution 27-09, remove the project from the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan, and redirect the focus back to a rapid transit improvement as approved by voters in the People's Transportation Plan (2002).


Section 2. That the Village Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of September, 2012.


Cindy Lerner, Mayor

Attest:



Guido H. Inguanzo, Jr., CMC
Village Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency



Cynthia A. Everett
Village Attorney



Motion by: Councilmember Ross
Second by: Councilmember Cutler

Vote: Councilmembers Cutler, Ross, Vice Mayor Harter, and Mayor Lerner voting Yes
Councilmember Corradino voting No