

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION NO. 97-28

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL, ECONOMIC
AND COMMUNITY FACETS OF THE FORT MYERS BEACH ISLAND COMMUNITY BY THE
PROPOSED COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Estero Island is a major tourist destination off the southwest coast of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fort Myers Beach is located in Lee County and has a local jurisdiction including all of Estero Island; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fort Myers Beach is entrusted with conserving, protecting and preserving the rich environmental resources of our island; and

WHEREAS, approval of a proposal to conserve the environment through a "Community Alternative Transportation System" (CATS) project funded through the Sustainable Development Challenge Grant program of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will foster resource conservation, reduction of fossil fuel associated with pollution, increased environment and safety education, and an eco-tourism device that preserves existing natural amenities; and

WHEREAS, this bicycle/pedestrian network away from the heavily used main thoroughfare of Estero Boulevard, incorporated with improved drainage technology and hidden by vegetation was conceived and initially designed by Fort Myers Beach residents during a "Designing Our Town" workshop early in 1997; and

WHEREAS, this grant proposal may potentially provide an opportunity to study, plan and discuss the feasibility of such an innovative transportation alternative before actual CATS construction begins; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fort Myers Beach will request the amount of \$50,000 from the EPA for the CATS; and

WHEREAS, the grant proposal requires at least a 20 % non-federal match of funds requested, or \$10,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Lee County, Florida:

That the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach hereby publicly proclaims its support for the proposed "Community Alternative Transportation System" project, and that the Town of Fort Myers Beach requests both financial assistance and technical support from the EPA in the planning and administration of the CATS project.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

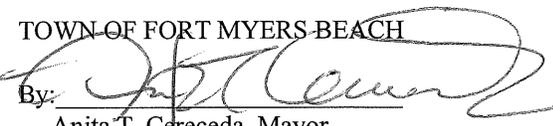
The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Fort Myers Beach Town Council. Upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

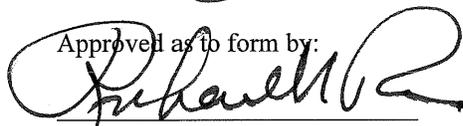
Anita T. Cereceda	<u>aye</u>
Ted FitzSimons	<u>absent</u>
William (Rusty) Isler	<u>aye</u>
Garr Reynolds	<u>aye</u>
Ray Murphy	<u>aye</u>

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of August, 1997.

ATTEST:

By: 
Marsha Segal-George, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH
By: 
Anita T. Cereceda, Mayor

Approved as to form by:

Richard V. S. Roosa, Town Attorney