**Minutes of Miami-Roads Neighborhood Civic Association Meeting**

**February 22, 2017, 7pm**

Welcome

Update from Police – CMDR Antonio Diaz

* Burglaries are down 9%
* On paper, seems as though crime is going down, despite many reports on social media from neighbors (facebook, nextdoor). It is important to always report crime to police.
* Non-emergency police # : 305-476-5423

Traffic Study

* Results: see presentation (will be posted on website)
* Assessed livability on residential streets throughout The Roads
  + Speed: 30 mph throughout neighborhood, more than 35 mph is threshold
  + Volume: more than 105 cars/hour or more than 1000 cars/day
* Traffic Calming Plan: raised crosswalks, speed tables/humps (22 ft), raised intersections, intersection modifications.
* Funded through CITP
* This study can only be used to implement traffic-calming measures like those listed above. The study team recorded these measures for 2 hours in the morning and 2 hours in the evening. To implement any further measures (even stop signs), a more extensive study would need to be performed.
* NO ROAD CLOSURES ARE BEING CONSIDERED AT THIS TIME.

Neighbor Comments (limited to residents of The Roads)

1. Would like to explore road closures. Feels like traffic on the avenues (particularly 4th, 5th, and 6th is dangerous).
2. Feels that calming devices are not useful. Wants to cut access and close roads.
3. 30th Rd – bus traffic at 2nd Ave is making things worse. There was a stop sign approved here over 3 years ago… what happened with this?
4. Concerned about selective street closures. Lives one house away from a new roundabout and feels that the roundabouts are not useful and people actually speed up to accelerate around them (25th Rd and 4th Ave).
5. Are there any thoughts to closing off some of the roads or avenues?
   1. Response from study team: there are 9000 trips in the Roads daily. Closing off one road would push the traffic to a nearby road.
6. Are there any changes planned along Coral Way?
   1. Response from study team: No, Coral Way is controlled by FDOT, not the City. The trees are historic and cannot be removed.
7. 28th Rd and 1st Ave is problematic. Wants to reduce outside traffic, increase speed enforcement, and look at length of traffic lights. Also mentioned that speed bumps may increase traffic noise (deceleration/acceleration, etc)>
8. 30th and Coral Way – Cherry Blossoms school creates a lot of traffic around 30th and 2nd Ave. Any way to implement no turns between certain hours, like on the other side of Coral Way?
9. Wants a 4-way stop at every intersection. Or signs that say “no cut through traffic”.
   1. Response from study team: stop signs require a “warrant”, which this study does not provide the information in order to meet those criteria.
10. Lives on SW 1st Ave: Is happy with raised intersections and speed tables. Anything to reduce speeding on 1st Ave.
11. 18th Terrace and 11th St and 5th Ave and 11th St are a mess.
12. 21st Rd and 1st Ave: 1st Ave is really dangerous and neighbor does not see police enforcing speed along this roadway.
13. 18th Rd and 11th St is chaotic. The intersection is too large and no direction is given to drivers.
14. 30th Rd and 2nd Ave: meeting with City official years ago. Neighbors left thinking that a stop sign had been approved. What happened to this?
15. Reiterated problem at 30th Rd and 2nd Ave and stop sign being approved. 2nd Ave is really fast/busy.
16. Can the district budget pay for stop signs, etc?
    1. Response from study team: yes, the commissioner has discretion for district budget.
17. Neighbor feels that speed tables are no spaced appropriately along 1st Ave in the current proposed plan. Instead of 24th Rd, should be at 23rd Rd, so that cars don’t have 5 blocks to pick up speed between 19th and 24th.
    1. Response from association: we will have a meeting in 2 weeks to put together suggestions from the neighbors.
    2. Response from study team: this is just a proposed plan… these things can be modified. This is just the beginning of the process, and this will take some time to implement.

Many neighbors from Shenandoah neighborhood were present at the meeting and were concerned because they heard that this proposal would discuss “shutting down” The Roads. This study does not consider any road closures.