

RESOLUTION NO. 09-241

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S AMTRAK/FEC CORRIDOR PROJECT APPLICATION; ACKNOWLEDGING POTENTIAL STATION LOCATIONS; ACKNOWLEDGING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE PROJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida East Coast (FEC) rail corridor initially operated as a passenger rail line along Florida's east coast; and

WHEREAS, cities along Florida's east coast historically developed around train stations along the FEC railroad; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), is submitting an application, in partnership with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), to secure funding via the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for the restoration of "intercity passenger service" on the FEC Corridor from Jacksonville to Miami; and

WHEREAS, the project will create jobs, improve mobility, complement the state-wide transportation network, enhance economic development opportunities, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, several potential locations have been identified within the City that could accommodate a future passenger transit station; and

WHEREAS, working with the Florida Department of Transportation and other agencies a series of preliminary station locations have been identified in the City; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 01-48, attached, the City Commission previously expressed its support and encouragement of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The City Commission strongly supports the State of Florida's ARRA funding application for the "Amtrak/FEC Corridor Project".

SECTION 2. Working with the Florida Department of Transportation, Amtrak, and other agencies, the City has preliminarily identified a series of potential station locations, which are identified on Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. The City Commission agrees with the general project concept whereby (1) Amtrak would operate the passenger service; (2) the State of Florida would secure ARRA funding to construct the project's capital improvements, including basic stations; and (3) once constructed, the City would be responsible for maintaining the station facility and amenities.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed to provide a certified copy of this Resolution to the Florida Department of Transportation.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

  
GLENN S. RITCHEY  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
JENNIFER L. THOMAS  
City Clerk

Adopted: September 9, 2009