

June 6, 2018

Mark S. Woodard, County Administrator
Pinellas County Government
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RE: Dunedin Causeway Bridges PD&E Study / Sea Level Rise (SLR) Analysis
Confirmation of the Mid-Level Bascule (Main) Bridge Replacement as the preferred alternative

Mark
Dear Mr. Woodard:

The purpose of this letter is to relay to the County Commission, in advance of their upcoming Work Shop presentation scheduled for June 12, 2018, the City's continued support for completion of the PD&E Study and subsequent funding of the above referenced bridge replacement project. While the City recognizes the County's multiple funding requirements of its long range CIP, this important and signature project has been programmed and considered in the County's Work Program for at least the last six (6) years.

Our community has participated actively throughout the PD&E process and has been very engaged for almost four (4) years. There is an expectation within our community, and that of other north county residents, that a replacement bridge project will be supported and not delayed in favor of a costly repair and maintenance alternative project, which would ultimately not be eligible for federal funding.

City staff recently received an email from the County soliciting our input as a result of the Sea Level Rise (SLR) Analysis authorized by the County Commission following the Public Alternatives Workshop held more than two (2) years ago. Upon completion of the SLR Analysis County staff and their consultant AECOM presented the results of that study, on March 6, 2018, to the 'Dunedin Causeway Bridge Ad Hoc Advisory Committee', various members of the public, City staff, and several elected officials. As requested, the City Commission reaffirmed their prior support of the Mid-Level Bascule (Main) Bridge Replacement as the preferred alternative of the Dunedin Causeway Bridges PD&E Study, during a Work Session, held on June 5th, 2018 and requested that I convey the City of Dunedin's hope that the replacement occur as quickly as possible.

On behalf of our Mayor, and City Commission, we respectfully request this letter be included in the staff report packet for the County Commissioners review in advance of your upcoming June 12th Work Shop.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,



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