

## City of South Pasadena

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Commissioner Karen Williams Seel, District 5 & 2019 Chair Board of County Commissioners 315 Court Street Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Commissioner Seel,

At the October 8, 2019 Regular Commission Meeting, the City Commission passed Resolution No. 2019-12 reaffirming the City's opposition to the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project on Pasadena Avenue. Enclosed is a copy of Resolution No. 2019-12.

Sincerely

Carley Lewis

City Clerk/Administrator

Encs.

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BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

## RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING THE CITY'S OPPOSITION TO THE PINELLAS SUNCOAST TRANSIT AUTHORITY (PSTA) BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) PROJECT ON PASADENA AVENUE.

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2019 the City Commission passed Resolution No. 2019-03 formally opposing the implementation of bus rapid transit (BRT) on Pasadena Avenue as part of the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Central Avenue BRT Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has expressed concerns regarding the implementation of designated business access and transit (BAT) lanes, the location and design of bus stops and crosswalks, and the availability of public comment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission acknowledges that PSTA has conveyed willingness to modify the project with regard to the location and design of bus stops and crosswalks but seemingly little to no consideration has been given to the City's continued disapproval of the installation of marked BAT lanes on Pasadena Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission continues to receive an overwhelmingly negative response to the project from the local community and does not feel that the public has been given sufficient opportunity to participate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of South Pasadena, Florida, as follows:

Section 1: That the City Commission reaffirms its opposition to the implementation of BRT on Pasadena Avenue as currently designed in PSTA's Central Avenue BRT Project.

Section 2: That if the Central Avenue BRT Project moves forward the City Commission formally requests the following:

- 1. BAT lanes not be installed on Pasadena Avenue within the city limits of South Pasadena.
- 2. Any bus stops on Pasadena Avenue be designed to include a covered waiting area with seating.

Section 3: That the City Clerk is directed to distribute this Resolution to the individual board members of the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, PSTA, Forward Pinellas, and to the Florida Department of Transportation and local media immediately upon passage.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2019

Arthur Penny, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carley Lewis, City Clerk

THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.

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Julia Mandell, City Attorney