

June 24, 2019

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Senior Transit Coordinator  
Office of Modal Development  
District 4 Office  
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Dear Ms. Pietrowski,

It is my pleasure to support the City of Pompano Beach's request for grant funding from the Florida Department of Transportation to support the development of transit services within the City of Pompano Beach (the "City"). The City's objective in applying for grant funding is to offset operational expenses necessary to implement a transit program aimed at relieving traffic congestion on West and East Atlantic Boulevard, generally running from Powerline Road to the Atlantic Ocean where East Atlantic Boulevard connects with North Ocean Boulevard (A1A) in Pompano Beach, Florida. A secondary transit corridor, A1A is also part of the project for relief of traffic, as it borders major development in the City.

The City is experiencing a surge of development on its barrier island, as well in the western end of the City and its anticipated that this surge of development will continue to result in increased traffic congestion, particularly along its major corridors. The proposed program is a short haul transit program, the riders of which would alternatively drive on local arterial roads such Atlantic Boulevard, as well as A1A. The program would provide transit to visitors, residents and working employees to and from park and ride locations located within the City to their desired destinations such as the place of the riders' employment, the riders' recreational destination. The City would also be implementing an on-demand service to residents and visitors (electric golf carts), whereby services could be demanded for pick-up directly from a residence or a hotel for transport to and from area restaurants and other amenities.

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The City has been one of our strongest supporters to improve mass transit and to identify multi-modal alternatives including implementation of the Complete Streets Master Plan, which includes such multi-modal alternatives. Moreover, the MPO and Broward County, with support from cities like Pompano Beach are implementing a system-wide transportation plan supported by the County's Surtax that was approved by the voters in a referendum on November 2018.

We commend the City of Pompano Beach for seeking innovative ways to address traffic congestion and expand public transit services to its constituency and support them in their application for grant funding. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (954)876-0035 or [stuartg@browardmpo.org](mailto:stuartg@browardmpo.org).

Sincerely,

  
Gregory Stuart  
Executive Director  
Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

cc: Greg Harrison, City Manager  
MPO Board of Directors

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