



# City of Pompano Beach

100 West Atlantic Blvd.  
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

## Detailed Minutes - Final

### City Commission

*Rex Hardin, Mayor*

*Beverly Perkins, Vice Mayor*

*Rhonda Eaton, Commissioner*

*Cyndy Floyd, Commissioner*

*Andrea McGee, Commissioner*

*Tom McMahon, Commissioner*

*Gregory P. Harrison, City Manager*

*Mark Berman, City Attorney*

*Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk*

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

6:00 PM

Commission Chamber

### City Commission Meeting

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor called the Regular City Commission meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Commissioner Rhonda Eaton  
Commissioner Cyndy Floyd  
Commissioner Andrea McGee  
Commissioner Tom McMahon  
Vice Mayor Beverly Perkins  
Mayor Rex Hardin

#### INVOCATION

Pastor Branden Jones of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church offered the invocation.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[22-201](#) Special City Commission Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2022

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Minutes be APPROVED. The motion carried unanimously.**

[22-200](#) Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2022

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Minutes be APPROVED. The motion carried unanimously.**

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Hardin announced that Item(s) 11 and 12 will be postponed until March 22, 2022, and Item 13 postponed until June 14, 2022 City Commission meeting.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Agenda be APPROVED AS AMENDED. The motion carried unanimously.**

### **CONSENT AGENDA DISCUSSION**

The Commission may pull items from the Consent Agenda. During Audience to be Heard, a person may speak on any item on the Consent Agenda, which has not been pulled.

Mayor Hardin announced that Items 2 and 3 would be pulled for City Commission discussion.

### **A. PROCLAMATION**

#### **[22-208 Covid-19 Victims and Survivors Memorial Day Proclamation](#)**

Mayor Rex Hardin proclaimed the first Monday in March as “Covid-19 Victims and Survivors Memorial Day” in the City of Pompano Beach, Florida.

**This matter was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.**

### **B. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

#### **[22-144 Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project Update](#)**

Paul Kissinger provided an update to the City Commission on the traffic improvements at the intersection of Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard.

Suzette Sible, Assistant City Manager, presented a PowerPoint Presentation titled “Creating a Downtown, Dixie and Atlantic Update.” She mentioned that she has co-presenters; Paul Kissinger, Kissinger Designing, and Joaquin Vargas, Traf Tech Engineering, City Consultants who are responders to the traffic issues on Atlantic Boulevard and Dixie Highway. They have both been working closely with City staff over the last few months on the traffic analysis for this project.

Mayor Hardin announced that there will be time after the presentation for the audience to make comments or ask questions, which will be noted and responded to by staff and the team. In addition, the City Commission can ask questions at any time.

Ms. Sibble indicated the presentation is divided into 4 main components. First, they will display a “Look Back” at the journey the City has taken to reach to this point. Second, they will focus on the Vision for the Proposed and Planned Downtown area for the City. Third, they will look at the data overview, which is the Traffic Analysis that has been completed by the Consultant. Finally, they will close with Next Steps. For details a copy of the presentation is attached as **Exhibit 1**.

In summary of Ms. Sibble’s presentation, she mentioned that the City was awarded \$25 million for the Dixie Highway project, which is one of the highest awardees out of the 30 cities competing for the surtax fund. In addition, the Federal government just passed an infrastructure bill, and a vast sum of money is in the bill for infrastructure and bridges, so the City is working hard to apply for additional funding through that infrastructure bill process. Ultimately, the City wants to move forward to build its new downtown to tap into the funding from both the County’s surtax, and from the Federal side as well. She also mentioned that downtown is now walkable and there are existing amenities in Old Town, Cultural Center, BACA, Ali Cultural Center, which are all walkable, but currently it is not safe to walk. Consequently, the City cannot move forward with redeveloping and visualizing the new downtown without fixing the subject intersection. This is a key component, it is transformative, and a catalyst for the City to continue to move forward with this project to realize the new downtown.

Paul Kissinger, Kissinger Design, stated that one of the things he wanted to tag on to Ms. Sibble’s comments, is that it is not only the intersection, it is the whole character of the street that he has spoken about on several different occasions. He then segued into his presentation, he elaborated on the safety of the area, and the importance of tending to the blighted area within the City. Therefore, redevelopment of those areas is key to eliminate blight and equally important is changing the character of the street. He pointed out that it will not be just a local road with a few lanes. It is still a major intersection, and will continue to be so. However, there are ways to improve that, so it is safe and helps to change the character of the street.

Mr. Kissinger continued to elaborate on the PowerPoint Presentation as mentioned earlier as Exhibit 1. He mentioned that the Delineators were installed in October 2021. This is a way that directs people as to which way to travel on the road. Also, it is a way to assimilate what the final conditions will be. Currently, what is in place is a maze, it is confusing, it is not fun to drive and traffic is slow. However, he pointed out some pros in using the delineators instead of starting construction. Since October they have been “playing catch up” since they implemented the delineators, and making changes to directional flow of traffic, which is not typically for them to do something like this. He explained the power of 2 seconds in this type of traffic flow.

Continuing, Mr. Kissinger provided the cons relating to utilizing delineators, which he said it is a maze and can be confusing. He reiterated that the delineators that are currently in place will not be the final solution. He then provided a list of modifications done as of December 2021. The future roadway will not have delineators which will ease the flow of traffic.

Joaquin Vargas, Traf Tech Engineering and City Consultant, provided his presentation, which he mentioned will be broken in 3 parts. First, he talked about travel time comparison before the barricades were installed and all the different changes that have been done. Second, he spoke about safety and then he concluded with some additional steps that will be taken to bring traffic to acceptable conditions, because they are still not done. He then provided a brief background of his qualifications. A copy of the slides he presented is detailed in **Exhibit 1**

attached.

Mr. Vargas presented the following:

- Travel Time Runs before and after implementation in both Eastbound and Westbound directions
- Safety - What does the data mean
- A 3-year Comparison 2019, 2020 and 2021
- A short video was presented about pedestrian crossings especially regarding school guards
- Traffic Study Comparison on Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard to Federal Highway
- Final Optimization to the Design
- The fix
- The Power of 2 Seconds
- Optimized Design without the cones, which caused some of the problems

Mr. Kissinger provided additional comments on a few things related to fixing the safety of what goes on at the intersection. They now have all the ingredients to make the project work best for the City. Through the process since October, they have tested multiple times, collected the data, collected counts, and now have all the information they need to make this optimized design.

Continuing, Mr. Kissinger addressed more in-depth safety for the pedestrians. He provided the reasons why safety pedestrian overpasses really do not facilitate the traffic situation. So, calming the traffic and changing the character of the roadway is what is important.

Finally, Mr. Kissinger spoke about the Next Steps, which they recommend that the delineators come down in a phased approach. They need to coordinate this with Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO). The idea is to take out all the posts, change the striping back to the way it was as the testing is complete. They will optimize the streetscape plans with the engineers. They are expecting to have the delineators to be out sometime next month. Construction is expected to begin later sometime this year for the improvements. They will start on Dixie Highway north, because it is both Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard improvements. They will coordinate the improvements of the optimized design with the FEC, who will have to make some safety improvements as well within the intersection.

Ms. Sibble completed the presentation with the Atlantic/Dixie Transformative Roadway Improvements, which is a "Key Puzzle Piece" to the City's overall redevelopment to realize the vision for the new downtown.

Comr. Eaton inquired about the amount of grant the City realized from the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). She also asked, if the City is doing 2 turn lanes eastbound on Atlantic Boulevard west of Dixie Highway.

Ms. Sibble confirmed it was \$25 million.

Mr. Vargas responded to the turn lanes it will be going east on Atlantic Boulevard coming from I-95. Currently, there are 3 lanes to Cypress Road, which will remain. There is 1 left turn lane east to north Dixie Highway, which will remain.

Vice Mayor Perkins asked for the repeated comments regarding getting rid of the slum and blight in the northwest area.

Ms. Sibble mentioned that it is understood that there is blight throughout the northwest community. However, they have to start somewhere, which is to start with the downtown area. By attracting private investment to the area, they will expand the tax bases.

Vice Mayor Perkins mentioned that they need to really start within the community, because the intersection alone is not helping the slum and blight in the northwest community.

Mr. Kissinger mentioned that he has worked in numerous redevelopment areas during his 30-year career, and one of the things that has been consistent in every redevelopment project that he has been involved with is that public infrastructure project helped to change the community, and the neighborhood. It is not the only thing, but it is one of the major things. He then provided an example, in the City of Fort Lauderdale and how they accomplished overcoming the blight of the beach area. The project that turned around the beach was to put in a streetscape, and now they are realizing over \$1 billion worth of revenues for the City of Fort Lauderdale. Another example, is the City of Oakland Park. He stated that the public infrastructure can be such a huge component from an urban planning standpoint to spark redevelopment, and this is the reason they are passionate about this project. The opportunity is tremendous for all the residents.

Vice Mayor Perkins is still not convinced this project will help the slum and blight in the northwest area.

Comr. Eaton mentioned that slum and blight is created by poor economic circumstances, there is nothing there when you view the map, as there are empty lots and dilapidated buildings and structures. To improve the sightlines of a community is one thing but slum and blight is created by poor economic conditions. It is better economic conditions and improved economic conditions that eliminate slum and blight, not just what is seen at an intersection but with the economic prosperity of the people who live in the community. They will now have opportunities for employment and can pay their rent and put food on their table with a steady job. Therefore, she disagrees with Vice Mayor Perkins comments, and believes that slum and blight is eliminated by creating economic prosperity for the entire community.

Mayor Hardin then opened the floor for public input.

The following persons spoke in opposition of the project, and provided their reasons why they felt it would not be beneficial to the residents:

- 1) Thomas Drum, 2700 NE 8th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated his reason as the overdevelopment of buildings and the immense density in the City.
- 2) Alison Fournier, 430 SE 6th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated she sees the vision of the City but does not agree with it. She opposes the traffic and the 6th Avenue bridge renovation.
- 3) Sally Hinkle, 2400 NE 16th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated the travel time is showing less because

people are utilizing the side roads, which is the neighborhood streets that kids are also using, and must compete with those people speeding down these roads. Police and Fire vehicles travel time are also impacted.

4) Jorie Fallen, 406 NE 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, complained about tractor trailers using the neighborhood streets, so traffic in the Old Pompano area is outrageous. The ambulance is unable to get through due to bottleneck of the traffic.

5) Maureen Gaviola, 2811 NE 9th Court, Pompano Beach, FL, complained that they did not incorporate the traffic study in their report. She opposes reduction of lanes for this project.

6) Stephen Frank, NE 10th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that he, similar to most of the other residents, would like to see the intersection return to its original state when they had more lanes to travel. Even though some changes are noticeable in the traffic flow, taking away lanes is not the wisest thing to do.

7) Dianne Orofino, 410 SE 6th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, complained that a great number of voices are speaking in opposition of the proposed changes for this project. The data presented is flawed. The changes do not represent the people, but rather from the greed of developers and not the need of the people.

8) Richard, Absheer, NE 2nd Street, Pompano Beach, FL, inquired about the metrics to force the cancellation of reducing the lanes for Atlantic Boulevard. He contended the experiment has failed, because traffic is backed up too far. Most of the traffic is utilizing other alternative routes. Perhaps BSO should provide some data of how many children have been killed due to the shift of posting traffic to residential areas.

9) Laurie Jones, President Voss & Klein, 1701 East Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL, mentioned this was a great idea in 2008, but is not a good one for 2022. She opposes cutting Atlantic Boulevard down to 2 lanes.

10) Michael Benson, 330 SE 5th Terrace, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that as a resident, due to the removal of one third of the lanes, he felt is an idea gone bad, and should be acknowledged, and fixed by restoring the lanes needed for local travelers. He is also opposed to raising the 6th Avenue bridge by 6 inches only. He concluded that traffic inconvenience will continue to prevail.

11) Gerard Weber, 2761 NE 5th Street, Pompano Beach, FL - He is finding the traffic situation very intolerable and people continue to block the intersection. Also, Fire vehicles are being blocked when they try to go west on Atlantic Boulevard.

12) Matt O'Brien, 1600 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he has been involved with the Lyons Park drainage project. He said the plan appears to be for more walkway space, greenway and everything else. Suggested bring item back for a vote from the residents, as well as bring back Questions and Answers (Q&A) so residents can ask questions and not take away from the time. Also, he suggested to consider an east-west one-way route in the northwest where there will be good traffic flow similar to what is in the City of Lake Worth. This will create more traffic flow for the northwest down MLK Jr. Boulevard.

13) Tom Hauerwas, 800 SE 13th Court, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he is a retired colonel from the US

Army. He does see the plan differently from those who are actually doing the planning. The unique terrain feature to Pompano Beach is I-95 and the rail-line that divides the City in half. There is only 7 ways to get across I-95 with 3 of them connecting from Federal Highway to I-95, and only 1 road in the City of Pompano Beach goes from the eastern boundary to the western boundary, which is Atlantic Boulevard. While he believes something needs to be done with the area, but the downtown needs to shift a little more to the north. With the current status, other streets are being overloaded, intersections are being blocked. In essence they are trying to put too much pressure on to Atlantic Boulevard.

14) Mike Skversky, 1630 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated this is the worst gentrification disaster in the country and provided his reasons. He would like to see the project ended and the streets returned to its original form.

15) Rose Puerto, 525 N. Ocean Boulevard, Apt. 1722, Pompano Beach, FL, state there is a concern for overdevelopment, something she experienced in a little New Jersey town where they lived, and have subsequently moved to South Florida. She inquired if others from the community could become investors in the fund that Ms. Sibble mentioned earlier.

16) Ronald Rupp, 1380 East Terra Mar Drive, Pompano Beach, FL, complained about the slowdown of traffic now being experienced from the blocking of the lanes.

17) Carlene Duncan, 1851 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, asked the Mayor to control Comr. Eaton for attacking Vice Mayor Perkins who lives in the northwest area.

18) Bobbi Shower - 260 SE 3rd Avenue, Garden Isles, Pompano Beach, FL, mentioned that she is a retired ER Physician and since living in the City in 2017 her life has been negatively impacted due to the traffic issues. She did not see any cars depicted in the renderings, which is unreal because so much more people are coming to the City of Pompano Beach.

19) Marquise Smith, 1320 NW 16th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated she did not have any comments on the traffic issues, but wanted to talk about something that has affected her personally. She mentioned that there is a major Catholic church at the intersection of Powerline Road and MLK Jr. Boulevard close to her residence that is ringing its bells every hour on the hour, and although she spoke with the leaders who turned the volume down but since she is so close to the church she is still impacted by it. There should be a noise Ordinance that the City may have for residential areas. However, to be fair, she is willing to compromise on Sundays for the bell ringing.

Continuing, Ms. Smith complained that the church is feeding the cats that are becoming a nuisance in the neighborhood as she is impacted by the feces that these cats leave in her yard or near her yard. One of the major gas stations is housing over 20 cats. Therefore, she is requesting the City Commission's help to intervene in this issue.

Mayor Hardin recommended that Ms. Smith meet with Mario Sotolongo, Code Compliance Director, who will be able to discuss these issues with her.

20) Brian Smith, 220 SE 3rd Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he is a developer that is pro-development. However, the traffic issues on Atlantic Boulevard and Dixie Highway is different from the traffic on the beach. To take away 1st Avenue is a disaster. They are taking away too many lanes and they have crippled the flow of traffic through the entire area.

21) Daniel Beitra, 210 SE 3rd Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he supports the crew that came out today in response to the traffic project. The right questions need to be asked and assumption should not be done of what it is. He urged the City Commission to consider different designs that have the will of the people behind it, inclusive of the design for the SE 11th Avenue bridge.

22) Howard Clarke, 2509 NE 515th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that he has seen all the changes taken place to include the City of Oakland Park that did not do a traffic calming on Oakland Park Boulevard. The City of Fort Lauderdale has gone through its redevelopment and they did not do a traffic calming on Federal Highway. City of Wilton Manors redeveloped its community and did not shut down Wilton Drive or 26th Avenue. Coral Springs redeveloped its community and did not do a traffic calm study for University Drive or Sample Road. Therefore, he does not understand why the City would choose the one arterial road in the City of Pompano Beach running east to west to do a traffic calming.

23) Olga Kadovska, 244 SW 7th Court, Orchid Grove Community, Pompano Beach, FL, mentioned that there are residents who are medical personnel such as traveling nurses, cardiologists, dentists, anesthesiologists and everybody else that live in the community that are impacted negatively by the traffic backup.

24) Barry Kish, 136 SW Road, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he is a member of his condominium board, and they do not like what is being done with the traffic due to the noise as well as the road rage being caused by the traffic backup.

25) Ken Arnold, 1849 E. Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he is a Chiropractic Doctor with an office on Atlantic Boulevard, and has patients from Palm Beach County to Hollywood in Broward County, and their route takes them from I-95 down Atlantic Boulevard to the other side of Federal Highway, where his office is located. However, lately, for the last 6-7 months they are telling him that it is taking at least 30 minutes to get from I-95 to his office. The intersection changes are hurting his business, as well as when he decides to travel to other areas of the City just to get a meal it can sometimes take a long time.

26) Horacio Hassan, 416 NE 11th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that he believes this is a project that failed. He said not only does this experiment affect traffic but it also impacts people's lives. With the growth in South Florida now is not the time to shut down any roadway access.

27) Lelia Edwards, 3575 Canary Palm Court, Pompano Beach, FL, stated she works at the First Baptist Church and it is very difficult to get to and from work on a daily basis. It takes a long time to get from the Palm Aire community over to the intersection of Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard.

28) Peter Wynne, 259 SE 3rd Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that he is pro-development. However, he is concerned for the sewer systems that will be impacted from overdevelopment. In addition, to invest \$2 million in a bridge that only gets raised by 6 inches is not economically feasible.



Mayor Hardin commented on the issue with the bridge and stated that it is not germane to this subject matter. The City Manager has staff looking into the 6th Avenue bridge to figure out what it would take to raise it more than the 6 inches. This is also a concern of Comr. McMahon, so, City staff is looking into this situation.

29) Lauren Mower, 520 SE 16th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL - She stated that she agrees with the previous speaker that the City needs the development. However, as more development is being added the infrastructure must be considered and consideration be given to expand it. While the sidewalks and roadways do need to be beautified, the need for traffic flow is equally important, and there may be the need to expand the roadways so development should be done smartly not just one way.

30) Ken Oran, 288 SE 3rd Street, Pompano Beach, FL - He understands the bridge is off subject but inquired if there would be a separate meeting before everything is approved on it. In the current situation with the traffic, he feels the Commission will be going through with it no matter what and is just putting up with the complaints.

Comr. McMahon mentioned that he has spoken with the engineers and emailed a few people on the bridge item. Currently, they are working with staff on a different plan for the bridge and to come up with the best way to substantially raise it. A public meeting will be scheduled with the engineers and City Management regarding this matter.

The following persons spoke in support of the project and provided their reasons why they felt it would be beneficial for the residents of the City:

- 1) Carl G. Forbes, Engineer, 1839 S. Dixie Highway, Pompano Beach, FL, stated he is in the business of planning and the City has a strategic plan for redevelopment of the downtown area.
- 2) Ashish Patel, 200 North Ocean Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL, stated his family built the new Hilton Pier Hotel and stated that he supports the project because it would beautify the entrance into the City, and promote the City as a fun and beautiful place to do business. It will also slow down high-speed traffic, and make Atlantic Boulevard a walkable and bikeable road for citizens who would want to live on. In sum, it would enhance the overall economic growth of the City and provide residents with job opportunities as the beautification attracts more businesses to the City.
- 3) Carlton Gillespie, 2781 NE 5th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, applauded the City for the project. He noticed that things have gotten better since October. He actually received a speeding ticket just after the delineators were put in place. In essence, speeding has been reduced traveling on Atlantic Boulevard with the reduction in the lanes. The City stands to benefit from the developments of the lane reduction to include the surtax funds from the County. In addition, investors will be attracted to the City and it will eliminate the dilapidated storefronts that are seen in the historic corridor seen north of City Hall.
- 4) Jean McIntyre, President/CEO Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce, 2335 East Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, FL, mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce Supports the beautification and what is happening in the City. The ultimate goal of some of the painful changes now experienced will help the City economically and provide jobs for the residents, as well as benefit all residents.

The City Clerk received 2 emails on the same day of the meeting where the following persons were in favor of the project:

5) Elaine Fitzgerald, 112 S. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach, FL, urged the Commission to continue with the work and to think of the future not the shorter-term effects of a construction project. The email is attached to the minutes as additional backup material.

6) Timothy Hernandez, Pompano Beach Pier Associates, Pompano Beach, FL, emailed a letter of support of the Atlantic Boulevard/Dixie Highway streetscape project, which is attached to the minutes as additional backup material.

At the completion of public input, Mr. Kissinger provided his final detailed comments regarding some of the statements made by the public, as well as provided answers to some of the questions some people had regarding the traffic issues being generated because of this project. In sum. He said that the data they have collected since October 2021, and the changes they have made have made a difference in the traffic. They have tested this and proven through the data they presented in their presentation. In fact, in June 2019 the data was 4-6, an average of 3 minutes which was great after the barricades went in and it went from 8-11 minutes, which is horrible and they all know about this, because it was being discussed ever since he got involved with the project. Some changes were made and the range went from 5-16 minutes, which did not make sense, so they modified this. Changes were made in February that went from 5-11 minutes but it dropped from 9 minutes 30 seconds to 7 minutes 43 seconds by the minor changes they did from December. The proposed changes, based on calculations is to put the lane back on Dixie Highway heading northbound to westbound. When you are heading southbound on Dixie Highway and you want to go eastbound on Atlantic Boulevard there is 1 turn lane, they will put a second turn lane in. In sum, they do have time where they can add back and put somewhere else, plus they are adding the right hand turn lane.

Continuing, Mr. Kissinger stated that they will be making some changes to the turn onto Cypress Road heading south coming from 11th Avenue and back on Atlantic Boulevard. On eastbound on Atlantic Boulevard to Cypress Road they will be putting back in the right-hand turn. He wanted to make it known that there are ranges of travel time and it is important to note this.

Mr. Kissinger concluded that he would be putting his notes together of what he took while the public was speaking to send to the City Commission. He is aware there are a few people who support the project and there are a number of people that are angry about the project.

Mayor Hardin inquired about how does the police and fire navigate the lanes currently, and will these be in place in the future.

Mr. Kissinger mentioned that in other cities with similar situation, those departments find routes in the City that will take them faster. So, there should not be an issue with this.

Mayor Hardin asked about the train track smoothing.

Mr. Kissinger responded that is the part FEC must go through and make some changes especially at the intersections where the train tracks are. They will regrade all of that to make it smooth, so traffic will flow better over the intersection.

Mayor Hardin asked about the point brought up about increased traffic in the neighborhoods and possible pedestrian accidents from speeding traffic. He inquired if there is any data on this.

Mr. Vargas provided the traffic data they have collected and some of the conclusions that they think needs to be made based on that data. Additinally, he indicated that he could not speak as to the accidents that have occurred, and that the police department would be able to address that issue.

Major Wayne Adkins, Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) mentioned that the increase seen is primarily crashes occurring on Atlantic Boulevard. He confirmed that there is an increase of traffic on the side streets, but he has not seen any increase in crashes on those side streets. Regarding pedestrians involving children they have not seen any crashes on this. He said that NE 1st Street in front of First Baptist Church the landscaping is creating some blind spots due to some large plants at the cross walks. Public Works personnel will replace those with other foliage. Finally, he indicated that due to the increase in traffic on these side streets they have begun enforcement in the area.

Comr. McGee indicated that some of the changes that have been made over the past months, and actually unmade was not too clear. Therefore, she inquired if they are putting back the turns off Dixie Highway.

Mr. Kissinger responded correct. He will be happy to go through the changes that they made and the changes that they are going to do for the recommended design.

Comr. McGee mentioned that she was interested specifically in the ones that they have realized that they have to go back to the original way.

Mr. Kissinger then provided all the changes that they are making based on the studies they have done since October. He stated that going northbound on Dixie Highway, currently, there is 1 left turn that goes westbound on Atlantic Boulevard. They are putting back the second turn lane that was there. Next, they are adding back the left turn when you go south on Dixie Highway, and to go east on Atlantic Boulevard. Originally, there were 2, which was reduced to 1, and now they will go back to 2. Also, when going southbound on Dixie Highway they are adding back the right turn to go west on Atlantic Boulevard. They are putting back the turn lane when going eastbound on Atlantic Boulevard from SW 1st to go south on Cypress Road. The merge works better the way it currently is for people to go eastbound because when the through lane goes away people merge back into the 2 lanes. Also, they are taking the traffic separator that is east of Cypress Road and lengthening the stacking distance for cars going westbound on Atlantic Boulevard. So, when you want to turn left to go south on Cypress Road, there is more distance for those cars to stack, so there is no backup for the through traffic. They are maintaining the median to go across 1st so that the turning movements would be westbound on Atlantic Boulevard. Also, the left turn into SW 1st will go away, because this has been creating problems and timing challenges at the light. The left turn going eastbound on Atlantic Boulevard to NE 1st they are taking that one away for the same reason. They will not allow the through traffic from SW to NE 1st, the reason being the distance between the lights is no where near where it should be with having that light at 1st and that contributes

to the backup from 1st to Cypress Road, and having the amount of green that they can take away from that light at 1st and put that at Dixie Highway.

Comr. McGee mentioned that she, along with the other Commissioners have spent hours and many emails with the consultants having heard the residents, to try and make this work. She mentioned that this is a process that the City must go through to ensure this is something that works and that it can be made better. There is the collusion of many aspects currently that are making it a little more difficult with the unexpected influx during the post-COVID to South Florida. Also, the City is accounting for the added apartments, which the City is ahead of the curve. Overall, it is important to note that the City of Pompano Beach is not only about the beach and that there are great things to do throughout the City. She believes beautification does encourage private entities to come into Pompano Beach. There needs to be a connectivity with the great project coming on board with the Casino redevelopment, and the booming beaches. It is important to her to make all of Pompano balanced and more productive and have jobs so that the kids who move away can come back to get jobs here in Pompano Beach and find housing and things to do. She understands that this is challenging to get it done, as there are computer models, human behavior, and other things that come into effect. In sum, she is pleased to see some of the changes being put into place and to know that the consultants are putting some of the things back in place. In sum, the Commission is ensuring that things will work even though it is a frustrating way to accomplish this.

Comr. Eaton inquired if the consultants have any prior data since 2018, because 2020 changed as the City shut down in March 2020 due to COVID.

Mr. Kissinger indicated that there are some traffic counts not necessarily travel time, which was not taken at the time for the section that they are having specific challenges with at this time.

Comr. McMahon inquired as to when will the delineators be taken down.

Mr. Kissinger responded they will have to coordinate with BSO. They are looking on the phased approach of having the delineators on Dixie Highway to go first in the next couple of weeks, and hope to have the rest of the delineators down by the end of March.

Comr. McMahon mentioned that they talked about the traffic calming in Old Pompano, but they did not provide the when, how and the budget to do this.

Mr. Kissinger mentioned that he cannot speak to the traffic calming budgets on other projects, but he understands from the East Transit Oriented Corridor (ETOC) those were identified as specific streets for that and would assume it would be a decision of the Commission on the timing of when those traffic calming measures come in.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Comr. McMahon, seconded by Comr. Eaton to have the delineators removed immediately, and to bring in the crew overnight and not during the rush hour in the day. The motion passed with a 4-2 vote. Comr. Floyd was absent and Vice Mayor Perkins voted no.**

Mr. Kissinger stated that they are happy to expedite that as much as they can. He is unsure it can be done tomorrow but he will try for as soon as possible.

Comr. McMahon asked that prior to the next City Commission meeting staff comes back with a plan on traffic for Old Pompano to address the concerns of speeding in the area.

Mr. Kissinger indicated that in the ETOC study there is a section about traffic calming, and identified the residential priority streets, which is more than just NE 1st Street. He will ensure that this goes into his Memo.

Vice Mayor Perkins indicated that having heard the various speakers earlier, they appear to see the vision that the City Commission has but they are not agreeing with it based on the traffic and reducing the lanes. Therefore, she would move that the City Commission end the project and have staff go back to see how they can work this project without reducing the lanes. She understands the millions of dollars involved to go into the downtown and innovation district areas, and she does not want to stop or block it, however, she believes something needs to be done to keep the lanes open and not reduce them.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins to discontinue the project and figure a different way to accomplish the goals without reducing the lanes. The motion died for lack of a second.**

Mayor Hardin mentioned that one speaker indicated that this area is the gateway to Pompano Beach, which it is, and the reason this project is being discussed is to try and make it more of a gateway that residents would be proud of. In addition, he made a promise that he would not support this thing until it got better. He is still confident that it will be much better than it is today. With the changes being proposed, getting rid of the poles, and actually doing the project. He mentioned that if he had to choose a way to do a project, he would not have chosen to do it the way the City has gone about doing this. While he is not criticizing anybody, he believes they just went out and “full frontal assault for the drivers and put them through misery to start with.” He believes that there may have been some sort of traffic computer programs that the data could be inputted and figure a way to do this from the start. We ended up creating our own nightmare by doing what we did. Nevertheless, he is glad this was done rather than just going out and begin to tear up asphalt. The entire Commission supports the action taken, and the residents have complained about it because it is ugly and they do not like the barricades, but it is better than having to tear up the asphalt and then realizing that something needed to change, which would not be a wise way to expend taxpayers’ dollars. He said the Commission does hear all the residents, and are not trying to make people’s lives miserable. Rather, they are here to make Pompano Beach a better place. In sum, the Commission serves at the pleasure of the residents. This project is transformative for the City, and for the northwest section of the City. He is committed to the northwest section of the City since he was elected in 1998, and has been working towards improving that area since that time. This project promises to assist with changing the slum and blight in the area and will assist with bringing more economic prosperity to the City.

Comr. Floyd stated she stepped away for a few minutes and wanted to hear the motion that Vice Mayor Perkins made earlier.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Comr. Floyd to end the project**

**and have staff to come back with something different that does not reduce the lanes. The motion failed by a 2-4 vote with Vice Mayor Perkins voting Yes and Comr. Floyd Yes.**

Comr. McGee mentioned that as much as she fully supports still working and tweaking this to make it right, she feels that to scrap it entirely at this point and go back to the whole start of everything, would super delay any development happening in the northwest, in downtown, and everything as this is a catalyst for everything else, which is a domino effect. Although the westbound still needs a lot of work, Dixie Highway in both directions is going back to where it was. Eastbound is flowing so there is only 1 of the 4 corridors that is being focused on. In sum, this is a little pre-mature to scrap and they should do the next stage of the project, which is to remove the delineators from Dixie Highway study so all the work that has gone into the project so far is not lost.

Comr. McMahan agrees with Comr. McGee's concerns as a lot of money has been spent on this project only to totally scrap it does not make much sense. The project has not been set in stone, and from day 1, they have been making changes to it. Moreover, he would not like to see the City miss out on the \$25 million grant from the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). He believes that the City should seek to foster the good relationship being enjoyed with the County at this time. He supports moving forward with the project but he does not support the delineators being out there.

Comr. Eaton echoed what Comr. McGee stated earlier about the domino effect. She reiterated one of the basic premises of redevelopment, economic prosperity, and resulting in the elimination of slum and blight, which this is one of the first steps. She commended the Consultants and Ms. Sibble for all of their analysis that they have provided. She cares about the entire City, however, change is never easy.

Comr. Floyd is rethinking perhaps "not scrapping it altogether" but just putting the lanes back while staff comes up with something different to ensure the people that the Commission has heard them.

Comr. McGee suggested that the Consultants could place a link on the website to depict the various changes made to inform the public.

Mr. Kissinger responded that they could do that fairly easily. He could extract the diagrams from the PowerPoint and they can supplement them with some notes.

Mayor Hardin thanked the Consultants for the update on the project.

**The Special Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.**

**Meeting went into Recess**

**Meeting Reconvened**

**C. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD**

Mayor Hardin announced that it was time for “Audience To Be Heard” and offered the following guidelines: Once your name is called, please come forward to the podium in front of the commission, state your name and address for the record. Speakers will be limited to three minutes to speak on any item of concern or interest, including those items pulled from the Consent Agenda. In addition, he asked speakers not to speak on any items on tonight’s agenda, as they will have that opportunity to do so when that item comes forward. Lastly, he requested that speakers refrain from any emotional outbursts in either support or non-support of the speaker’s comments.

**The following persons were called to speak:**

**Office of Election Integrity** - Rubin Young, P.O. Box 190451, Miami Beach, FL 33119, stated that he has been involved with the election process for a number of years. Due to some concerns he has, he is proposing that the City put in place a structure to stop some of the election fraud that is taking place throughout Broward County and this City. He asked the City to come up with an office of election integrity that will have real enforcement authority to act against election interferences, and stop ballot harboring. Also, it would be good if the City could prevent campaign staffers from walking into the precincts to interfere with the voters.

He said because developers are funding campaigns in the City, the Commissioners do not worry about voting coming from the people, instead they worry about the developers that will get them into office.

He indicated that he has been involved with bringing charges, when he hears about incidences where people are committing fraud in elections. Since 1990 he has been filing charges against fraudulent activities. So, when he hears anything about any City throughout Broward County where elected officials are committing fraud or their people are committing fraud, he will file election charges against them. He asked that the City Commission prevent the campaign staffers from going to the precincts to interfere with the voters, so there can be a better government.

Finally, Mr. Young mentioned that he sent a letter to the City Commission about an incident that happened in the City of Pompano Beach.

**Witness to bring Clarity to Truth** - Terry Williams Edden, 757 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that she is returning with a witness to bring clarity to truth. She mentioned that a few weeks ago she came before the Commission to report that Beverly Perkins-Moody (Vice Mayor Perkins) had ran over an individual. So, the only reason she got involved with the incident, is that the young man involved told her he did not hear from Ms. Perkins-Moody. Since then, she has spoken to the person’s mother. She indicated that tonight she brought the witness, which is the father who actually saw his son being hit by Vice Mayor Perkins. He told her if he had not screamed, she would have ran him over. She mentioned that as per the Broward Sheriff’s Office the report would not be ready for about 14 days.

Continuing, Ms. Williams Edden complained that a Ms. Thelma Fullins tried to send a letter to her mother’s home, who has the same name as her “Terry” who does not wish to be contacted, and she has requested that no more letters be sent to her house through actions of Vice Mayor Perkins.

**Residents desiring to speak before the Commission** - Vicente Thrower, 1890 NW 6th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that while the item regarding the traffic was going on, there were a number of people waiting in the lobby to speak on subjects that are near and dear to them as well. Therefore, he suggested that when these “long winded agenda items” are placed on the agenda it should be done under a Workshop situation. He said parents brought their children with them so that they could be present tonight to support their football coach that was disenfranchised and wrongfully terminated by the Sheriff. These are voters that should have been heard tonight. However, the children were with them and they did not get the opportunity to address the Commission because the subject item on the traffic issues was already known to be a contentious item. He stated it is not fair to others who want to come in and talk on issues because they cannot make the 1:00 p.m. City Commission meetings.

In sum, Mr. Thrower indicated that the Commission has a fiduciary responsibility to allow good taxpayers to be able to get time when they are coming in straight from work to come to the Chamber to express themselves.

Mr. Thrower mentioned that the City Manager and the Commission have the fiduciary responsibility to protect the citizens’ integrity. He then mentioned about a report from FDLE on the Sheriff, which is also a “stain on the City” because we are contracted with his office. He wants to know why the Commission does not direct the City Manager to do a study or do a survey with the City to determine if they want to return to having their own police department. He argued that it is not fair for the Sheriff to have 2 standards of what he believes is ethical behavior and what he thinks he would terminate Deputy Thurston for. Mr. Thurston is a coach and a father in Pompano Beach. In sum, he believes that Mr. Thurston deserves a fair shot and the City’s support. He then submitted the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) record on the Sheriff to the City Clerk for the record.

Vice Mayor Perkins recalled at a Commission meeting when former Vice Mayor Moss wanted to have 1:00 p.m. Commission meetings, which there are few people attending these meetings. She believes majority of the community works and 6:00 p.m. would work for everybody much better, if the 1:00 p.m. would go back to being held at 6:00 p.m.

**Complaints regarding Terry Williams Edden** - Carlene Duncan, 1851 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that the first speaker was talking about her. She indicated that she is respectful when she conducts herself out in public. She complained that Ms. Williams Edden is on every poll talking about people. She actually gets people to call the police on her every day.

**City Website Information on Various Projects** - Maureen Gaviola, 2811 NE 9th Court, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that she has been spending time on various Pompano Beach’s websites and she came across the G.O. Bond project where there will be 3 fire stations built, namely 114, 52 and 61. These will be constructed for over a total amount of \$17,800,500. The goal for each one is to be able to reduce response timing and enhance fire and emergency services to the area. This is great and important because people should have timely response when there is a problem.

Continuing, Ms. Gaviola mentioned that she also found out from the website about the Innovation District. She is concerned about these things that are on the website and questioned if they are current or real. The one that



is scary is the vision on the Innovation District with 6 and 7 story buildings stretching from I-95 to Dixie Highway, with one lane of traffic each way. She does not believe this will be safe for people to live, and asked who will walk along this path. In sum, she suggested that the City update the website with real and current information.

Comr. McGee suggested that the City Commission request that Public Relations (PR) ensure they are updating the renderings from the previous master developer, so, whatever is on the website is current updates.

#### **D. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Hardin requested a motion to Approve/Adopt Items 1, and 4 through 8 without City Commission discussion.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consent Agenda be APPROVED. The motion carried unanimously.**

1. [22-186](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POMPANO BEACH FIRE ACADEMY AND AUTHORIZATION TO FORM A CITY-OWNED CORPORATION FOR SUCH PURPOSES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Chad Brocato)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-80**

2. [22-179](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH'S 2021 STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP ACT (SHIP) AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVE STRATEGIES REPORT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Alex Goldstein/Jennifer Gomez)

Vice Mayor Perkins pulled the item for Commission discussion and stated that she has received numerous phone calls regarding home repairs and when she provides the contact number for the department they never seem to be able to get the assistance they need. The reasons provided there is no more money or it is not the time to apply. She understands when funding is available it is listed on the City's website, however, she would

like if the department could get a letter out to all the churches, sororities, and fraternities, which she would provide the listing of these to the department. In sum, people need to be better informed when the funds will become available to get repairs done to their homes.

Mayor Hardin suggested that it could be 2 weeks before the funding open up for accessibility.

Comr. Eaton suggested notifying all the Commissioners when funding is coming, as there are numerous people in her district that have needs for funding. Perhaps a form letter could be posted on social media to reach more people instead of just using the City's website.

Alex Goldstein, Program Compliance Manager, stated that a notice of information is posted in the Sun Sentinel newspaper as it relates to the funding availability. During each fiscal year through the Action Plan, they provide a breakdown of projects with what they are planning to do. He is happy to reach out to any list of names or organizations that they can provide him with. He also sends out the funding availability to the current sub-recipients who participate in their programs. They are always looking to get the word out to expand their outreach.

Comr. Eaton mentioned that she has been emailed from time to time, which is great.

Mr. Goldstein mentioned that their waiting list for home repairs is currently open and they are accepting names. Anybody interested can call the Office of Housing and Urban Improvement (OHUI) at 954-786-4659 and they will be placed on the waiting list. This is for the general residential rehab program for first come first served. They also have a First-Time Home Buyer Program that is open as well.

Mayor Hardin reiterated the contact information and mentioned that any Commissioner can get a list to the OHUI department and they can send out notification perhaps 2 weeks before any window opens, which would be a good practice.

Comr. McGee also asked for the item to be pulled. She referred to Section K of the report in the Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) and the ability to pay the "in lieu of fee" is something she would like to bring back for discussion to find out how staff concluded that the City did not need to do any changes in this incentive. She has noticed more rentals are skyrocketing, and the affordability is "insane right now." Her concern is going back to work force housing, the kids coming out of college that are starting their jobs as assistants or receptionists or wherever they maybe in the chain, and then discussions had previously on how they are trying to push towards mixed income housing as opposed to individual affordable housing projects.

Mr. Goldstein mentioned that they recently had a public hearing on the item and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) as it is composed currently, recommended no changes, but the good thing about this report is that it is now annually done. They will be meeting again in July, so any type of input that the Commission would like to have as it relates to the incentives could be communicated to Comr. McMahon, who sits on the board, and they can discuss those and revise some of the incentives.

Mayor Hardin cautioned that perhaps they would not go directly to Comr. McMahon but go to the City Manager or staff directly, which City Attorney Berman agreed with this form of contact.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consent Agenda/ Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
Floyd  
McGee  
McMahon  
Perkins  
Hardin

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-81**

3. [22-193](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS (CHDO) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND BROWARD COUNTY HABITAT COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING AND ADMINISTRATION OF HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM PROJECTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
(Fiscal Impact: \$200,000 HOME Grant Funding)

**(Staff Contact:** Alex Goldstein)

Vice Mayor Perkins pulled the item for Commission discussion to inquiry about the Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) and how the people are chosen to serve on this board.

Mr. Goldstein responded that they have people who are registered as a CHDO, who submit applications and they are evaluated. Technically this is not a board, but someone who is a registered CHDO with the State, they apply to OHUI where it is reviewed and scored, and they move on from there.

Vice Mayor Perkins mentioned that she has the same concerns about Habitat housing in the community, and asked how much of this the City will receive. Would that be \$200,000?

Mr. Goldstein responded that is correct and explained the process of applying for the grant to have the City sponsor 2 homes.

Vicente Thrower, 1890 NW 6th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that a few years ago he had brought to the Commission how Henry Crocket had made several attempts to start a CHDO, but he was unsuccessful because of OHUI in getting this CHDO off the ground. He finds it amazing how the City has now become a Habitat City, which all those houses are located in Districts 4 and 5. He said that while Habitat does some

good things, it is not the City's position to be a welfare City to always fund their projects. He is amazed to hear that when they have left over CHDO monies it is being provided to Habitat, which in essence belong to those people of the City who worked hard in the past, who should be qualified for these funding. Instead, Habitat is being awarded some type of "hand up" when they should be told to bring some resources. He concluded that he has not heard at anytime Habitat has been assisting the High Schools in the neighborhood namely Blanche Ely or Pompano Beach with a check for anything.

Continuing, Mr. Thrower complained that Habitat is receiving assistance to build their homes on Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) property, yet they are not assisting the community with anything to repair homes or maintain the parks. He complained that they are building homes with parks and the City has to maintain those parks. He felt that Habitat should be spending some of their money to maintain their own parks. In sum, he continued to complain that the City keeps funding this organization with no checks and balance for the Commission. He mentioned that they are building and making money off the houses being put in the neighborhoods, so they should be held accountable to provide the steps they are taking to make the neighborhoods, such as Collier City, better.

Mayor Hardin asked about what Mr. Thrower just mentioned about the Henry Crocket Foundation tried to start a CHDO and wanted to know if the City has anything to do with starting a CHDO.

Mr. Goldstein responded that he is not aware of that situation with the Crocket Foundation. However, he indicated that they are currently one of the CDBG subrecipients where they are helped with their peace program with funding in the amount of \$15,000 annually. He explained that the State must first certify CHDO recipients then the City's CHDO application will be provided to those applicants.

Mayor Hardin asked if CHDO applicants must be certified from the State then the City approve them.

Mr. Goldstein responded that is correct. However, he will check into the process as he believes it has to be either at the County or State level to be approved before it gets to the City. He will provide the Mayor and Commissioners with an update on this matter.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consent Agenda/ Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
McGee  
McMahon  
Hardin

**Absent:** Floyd  
Perkins

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-82**

4. [22-194](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN ASSIGNMENT OF REVOCABLE LICENSE AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AMONG THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FAIRFIELD POMPANO L.P., AS ASSIGNOR, AND DCB MOREA, LLC AND DRC MOREA, LLC, AS ASSIGNEE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Robert McCaughan)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-83**

5. [22-199](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING TERMINATION OF THE WATER TAXI OPERATING LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND POMPANO BEACH WATER TAXI INC.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Earl Bosworth)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-84**

6. [22-189](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING LAUREN COOLEY TO THE COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AS APPOINTEE OF COMMISSIONER ANDREA MCGEE, WHICH TERM SHALL COINCIDE WITH THE TERM OF THE APPOINTING OFFICIAL; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Asceleta Hammond)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-85**

7. [22-195](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO

BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING LINDA M. THOMAS TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, AS APPOINTEE OF VICE MAYOR BEVERLY PERKINS, WHICH TERM SHALL RUN CONCURRENTLY WITH THE TERM OF THE MEMBER OF THE CITY COMMISSION.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Asceleta Hammond)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-86**

8. [22-162](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN JOE SCOTT, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OF BROWARD COUNTY, AND THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH RELATING TO THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$69,300.00)

(Staff Contact: Asceleta Hammond)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, to APPROVE/ADOPT the item under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-87**

#### **E. REGULAR AGENDA**

9. [22-191](#) Consideration to designate NW 7th Street as a dual named road "Hattie Kimbrough Wms." Street.

(Fiscal Impact: \$500 + cost of signs provided by requester)

(Staff Contact: Robert McCaughan)

Mayor Hardin asked to take Item 9 out of order prior to Consent Agenda, due to some family members who were present for the item, and who needed to get to the hospital.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Mayor Hardin, seconded by Comr. Eaton to take Item 9 out of order to be heard first. The motion carried unanimously.**

Robert McCaughan, Director, Public Works Department, presented the item and stated this is requesting the City Commission to consider dual naming NW 7th Street as Hattie Kimbrough Williams (Wms.) Street. This will be bound by NW 31st Avenue on the west and NW 24th Avenue on the east. Memos and justification

were provided in the backup material for the dual naming of the street. If approved, a Resolution will be created and presented at the next City Commission meeting, which will formalize the change. Members of the family are present, should Mayor Hardin wish to recognize them.

Robert Lee Graham Johnson stated that the family would like to thank the City Commission, in advance, for acknowledging and paying homage to their matriarch, Ms. Hattie Kimbrough, who has been a lifelong homesteader in the City. They are elated and grateful to have this street named after such a fantastic lady. She had invested for decades in the City, as well as being a vested pillar and fabric in the community. The fruits of her womb have produced a lot of educators, clergy people and college graduates, even though she came from a sheer cropper background. She has seen her great grandson drafted in the National Football League (NFL), to run touchdowns in the NFL, as well as to play in the Superbowl, and to be on the Superbowl winning team. She has made a lot of contributions and this street is a historical street already as this is where folks gather to celebrate life. In addition, she is a person who would bring in the hungry and homeless folks as a gathering place for the City.

Rodrick Phillips, thanked Mayor Hardin, Comrs. Eaton and Floyd for helping with the renaming of Hattie Kimbrough Williams Street.

He also thanked the City Commission and the City Manager for working to transform the City from a Bean City to an Innovation City. There are developments going on that is good for the City and it will eliminate the slum and blight.

Vice Mayor Perkins thanked Ms. Kimbrough's family for patiently waiting to go through with this venture, and was glad the item got pulled early for discussion. Also, she was impressed to read the backup material about Ms. Kimbrough which the renaming is fitting for her.

Comr. Floyd mentioned that she spoke with her daughter several times to make this happen, and congratulated her on the effort.

Comr. McMahon stated that he is excited to see the City preserving history by remembering the "folks" that help create the City. It is important that these names and story be saved to be told to the next generation.

**A motion was made by Mayor Hardin, seconded by Vice Mayor Perkins, that the Item for Consideration/Discussion be first taken out of order and be heard by the City Commission just before Consent Agenda. The item was APPROVED, and the City Commission directed staff to move forward to create and present a Resolution for their approval. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
 Floyd  
 McGee  
 McMahan  
 Perkins  
 Hardin

10. [22-159](#) **P.H. 2022-33: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE SERVICE CONTRACT NO. 1356 BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND PORT CONSOLIDATED, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF UNLEADED GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$955,000 Annually)

**FIRST READING: FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

(Staff Contact: Robert McCaughan)

Robert McCaughan, Director, Public Works Department, presented the item and stated this is to request the City Commission to approve a contract with Port Consolidated, Inc. to provide diesel fuel and gasoline for the City's vehicle fleet. There have been no changes since the First Reading.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
 Floyd  
 McGee  
 McMahan  
 Perkins  
 Hardin

**Enactment No: ORD. No. 2022-30**

11. [22-197](#) **P.H. 2022-38: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, RELATING TO RENTAL HOUSING, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 113, "BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS," BY AMENDING SECTION 113.41, "RENTAL HOUSING," TO EXPAND INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS OF RENTAL UNIT



OWNERS UPON A SALE OR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP; AMENDING CHAPTER 153, "RENTAL HOUSING CODE," OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH BY AMENDING SECTION 153.08, "SHORT TERM RENTAL PERMIT REQUIRED," TO REVISE PERMIT REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND REVIEW PROCEDURES, CLARIFY PREREQUISITES FOR REVOCATION AND ALIGN VIOLATION AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER 37, OF THE CITY'S CODE; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 153.26, "MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL," TO EXPAND REQUIRED LEGAL DISCLOSURES TO RENTAL OCCUPANTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Jennifer Gomez/David Recor)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be POSTPONED until March 22, 2022 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

12. [22-198](#) **P.H. 2022-39: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 155, "ZONING CODE," OF THE POMPANO BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING SECTION 155.2414., "ZONING USE CERTIFICATE," TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL; BY AMENDING SECTION 155.8402., "CIVIL REMEDIES," TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION OF ZONING USE CERTIFICATES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

**\*This item will be postponed to the March 22, 2022 Agenda.**

(Staff Contact: Jennifer Gomez/David Recor)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be POSTPONED until March 22, 2022 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

13. [22-108](#) **P.H. 2022-14: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING ELECTION DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPRESENTATION AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING A

REPEALING CLAUSE, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.  
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

**POSTPONED FROM DECEMBER 14, 2021**

**\*This item will be postponed to the June 14, 2022 Agenda.**

(Staff Contact: Phyllis A. Korab/Earl Bosworth)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be POSTPONED until June 14, 2022 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

14. [22-185](#) **P.H. 2022-36: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 115, "MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESSES," BY CREATING SECTION 115.31, "MOTORIZED SCOOTER RENTALS," TO PROHIBIT THE RENTAL OF MOTORIZED SCOOTERS IN THE CITY FOR USE ON CITY STREETS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Earl Bosworth)

Earl Bosworth, Assistant City Manager, presented the item and stated that the Ordinance amends regulations relating to the motorized scooter rentals in the City by prohibiting the rentals of motorized scooters. Staff's research found that the potential share volume of daily scooter rentals in the other Cities that they looked at, and often reckless operation of scooters, places an impractical strain on City resources negatively impacting tourists' experiences, and posing safety hazards to visitors and residents alike. Rented motor scooters are often deposited or abandoned by renters along City streets and other right-of-way, and or on unauthorized private property. Thus, creating hazards for motorists, pedestrians, business owners and patrons, and requiring action to secure their removal from such areas. This section also enables enforcement action against individuals that violate this section, and does not preclude the City from pursuing any and all civil remedies against any business or corporate entity in violation of this section.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be APPROVED FIRST READING. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
Floyd  
McGee  
McMahon  
Perkins  
Hardin

15. [22-192](#) **P.H. 2022-37: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 72, "BICYCLES," BY CREATING SECTION 72.03, "MOTORIZED SCOOTERS AND MICRO MOBILITY DEVICES," BY AMENDING CHAPTER 98, "PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS," BY AMENDING SECTION 98.01, "DEFINITIONS," AND SECTION 98.02, "PROHIBITED ACTS," BY AMENDING CHAPTER 100, "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS," BY AMENDING SECTION 100.35, "BUILDING OR OBSTRUCTION ON PUBLIC STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY SWALE AREAS; PEDESTRIAN MEDIAN SAFETY," AND BY AMENDING CHAPTER 131, "OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS AND PROPERTY," BY AMENDING SECTION 131.21, "OPERATION OF MOTORIZED SCOOTERS," TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTORIZED SCOOTERS AND TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF MOTORIZED SCOOTERS TO CONFORM TO STATE STATUTE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

**(Staff Contact:** Earl Bosworth)

Earl Bosworth, Assistant City Manager, presented the item and stated that the amendment to the Ordinance creates Section 72.03, which adds motorized scooters and micro mobility devices to the City's code. This subjects them to the same operating requirements and regulations as bicycles. It also amends Chapter 98.01 and 98.02 by prohibiting motorized scooters from operating on cultural and recreational facilities or on other public properties. The amendment further adds language to prohibit motorized scooters from being abandoned on or obstructing public streets, sidewalks, rights-of-way, swale areas, or private properties without authorization from the property owners. It also enables the City to retrieve and dispose of any abandoned property.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be APPROVED FIRST READING. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** Eaton  
Floyd  
McGee  
McMahon  
Perkins  
Hardin

#### **F. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

Mayor Hardin announced the next scheduled meetings as follows:

March 8, 2022 at 12:45 p.m. - Herb Skolnick Cultural Arts Foundation, Inc.

March 8, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

March 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

#### **G. REPORTS**

**Greg Harrison, City Manager** - No Report. However, Mr. Harrison wanted it noted that on this date 2-22-22 will not happen again in 400 years.

**Mark Berman, City Attorney** - No Report.

**Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk** - No Report.

**Commissioner Rhonda Eaton** - No Report.

**Commissioner Cyndy Floyd - Ground Breaking at Isle Casino** - Comr. Floyd mentioned that she had a little issue with the Ground Breaking Ceremony at the Isle Casino. The original invitation email was sent out on February 7th but she was notified of the event on February 14th , and this was happening in her district. So, she learned of the event the day before the actual event took place. She thought that perhaps she should have been notified the same time as the Mayor and City Manager, which was on the 7th. In addition, she would have liked if the Mayor had recognized her as the Commissioner for that district when he introduced the Commissioners to the officials present at the event. She just wanted this noted and hope that next time these courtesies would be shown to her.

Mayor Hardin apologized that he did not point out that she was the Commissioner for that district at the event. However, as far as the scheduling and notification it was a private event that he did not have anything to do with.

Comr. Floyd indicated that the email was sent on February 7th to the City Manager and the Mayor and the rest of the Commissioners received their email on February 14th . She just felt the first people to be sent the email to would have included the Commissioner in whose district the event would take place along with the Mayor and City Manager.

Mayor Hardin apologized for the slight but there was no intent to keep anybody in the dark, but it was a private

event that they sent the emails to him and Mr. Harrison.

Comr. Floyd stated she just wanted to make it known that next time events happening in her district, if she could get advanced notice she would appreciate it.

**Person Responsible for her Initial Candidacy** - Comr. Floyd noted for the record that Willie L. Lawson, III, is the person who suggested to her to run for office. While numerous people may have encouraged and congratulated her on her candidacy it was Mr. Lawson who was the person who suggested she run for office.

**Termination of Ronald Thurston** - Comr. Floyd stated that Mr. Thurston like Captain Stallings was very influential in her son's life as he grew up playing football. She believes every household provider needs their job. She thinks it was a "little bit much" to terminate Mr. Thurston, especially, if a person is depending on their job to support their families. She has seen officers who have done much worse but was not terminated.

**MOTION: A motion was made by Comr. Floyd, seconded by Vice Mayor Perkins to change the 1:00 p.m. City Commission meeting to start at 6:00 p.m. The motion failed by a 2-4 vote with Vice Mayor Perkins and Comr. Floyd voting yes.**

Comr. McMahon recalled when the meeting was changed to 1:00 p.m., and the reason they did 2 times a month was that there would be First and Second Readings, so that there is a night time availability and a day time availability to gain additional input from the public.

Comr. McGee agreed with what Comr. McMahon was saying on the reason to change the times. She indicated that different agendas tend to bring out different crowds, and may just be the way for always. There have been meetings where either working mothers or older residents who do not drive at nights and are unable to make the meetings. At the 1:00 p.m. meeting they can come out to be heard. She really prefers the 2 options for the meetings. A good example is that the traffic issue was put on both the night time and day time meetings that all the residents could be heard.

Vice Mayor Perkins recalled when the idea of changing one of the meetings to 1:00 p.m., Former Vice Mayor Moss indicated that he wanted some of his people from Palm Aire area to attend the 1:00 p.m. meeting, but there is no one attending these meetings.

Mayor Hardin indicated that he prefers the diversity of times.

**Stic Concert** - Comr. Floyd indicated that she had a fantastic time Saturday night at the Stic concert. She is looking forward to more great shows to come, which could be groups such as Earth Wind and Fire and Steve Miller Band - Abracadabra.

**Barbeque Throw Down Event** - Comr. Floyd invited everybody out to the Collier City Barbeque Throw Down, to be held Saturday, February 26, 2022.

**Commissioner Andrea McGee - Painting the Streets Program** - Comr. McGee reported that the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) just launched a program, which they did one in the City of

Deerfield Beach and are looking to do another in the City of Fort Lauderdale by painting the streets as a traffic calming method in pedestrian areas. In Deerfield Beach they put a fish mosaic type design, something similar to what the City has in its crosswalks, but instead it is for the full streets that they are now doing this program. Therefore, she suggested that the City may want to reach out to the MPO to get some inspiration.

**Commissioner Tom McMahon - Commuter Rail Stop** - Comr. McMahon asked for an update on the commuter rail stop in Pompano Beach.

Greg Harrison, City Manager, responded that the City has no hard-line dates for a stop yet. Nevertheless, the City is involved in every meeting that is held regarding the subject, and the City has its name in the hat for a station to be located here.

Mayor Hardin mentioned that for every opportunity the City gets, it is making sure the people involved in the decision-making process know that the City of Pompano Beach is desirous of having a station that is on the official map. The City is supposed to have a station for coastal link commuter rail.

Continuing, Mayor Hardin wanted to let everybody know that the City is supportive of some kind of crossing at the New River in Fort Lauderdale. There is discussion about Fort Lauderdale wanting a tunnel under the New River, but the people doing the project would prefer a bridge situation that goes over the New River because of the cost projections. They will have to compete for Federal dollars to assist in this endeavor and must keep the cost down.

**Vice Mayor Beverly Perkins - City Manager Contract** - Vice Mayor Perkins asked City Clerk Hammond about when would the Commission be reviewing the City Manager's contract.

Ascleta Hammond, City Clerk believes it is coming up soon for the month of February, and it may appear on the next Agenda.

Vice Mayor Perkins indicated that in the past staff has been combining the evaluations of the City Manager, the City Clerk and the Internal Auditor together, and suggested that they be placed on the Agenda separately. However, she is more concerned about the City Manager's contract, which is a separate item.

Ms. Hammond responded that the Human Resources Director, Eddie Beecher would be able to answer Vice Mayor Perkins' questions regarding this matter, and she would check into that for her.

**Toast to Women's Legacy** - Vice Mayor Perkins stated that the Toast to Women's Legacy event will take place on Thursday, March 17, 2021 at 11:30 a.m., which is sponsored by the Women's Club of Pompano Beach. This will be held at the Ali Building. Tickets will cost \$15 per person.

**Pioneer Ball Event** - Vice Mayor Perkins announced that the Pioneer Ball will take place on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center. They are still celebrating Black History Month, and they will be honoring and celebrating educators who made a difference in the community, which promises to be a nice event.

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**Mayor Rex Hardin - Black History Month Programs** - Mayor Hardin indicated hats off to everyone who was involved in the various programs for Black History month already. The Tiger Trail Festival had a really successful event this past Saturday at the Ali's Center, along with numerous activities surrounding Black History Month. Thanks to the City for supporting these types of endeavors.

**Reopening of the Pompano Beach Amphitheater (Amp)** - Mayor Hardin provided follow up comments regarding Comr. Floyd's comments on the initial reopening of the Amphitheater. It was over the top and everyone had a fantastic time. They had a great opening band, the sound was great, and everyone had a great time overall. The Amp has been sitting dormant for a long time and it was great to see it activated. He commissioned Earl Bosworth, Assistant City Manager to keep it active and to take some of the suggestions made earlier by Comr. Floyd. He thanked everyone involved, to include Horacio Danovich, Greg Harrison, the Cultural Division and just about everybody who worked in getting the Amp back up and running. He was very proud of the City on Saturday night. He concluded that a lot of good things are happening in Pompano Beach.

#### **H. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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Rex Hardin, Mayor

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Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk

# Creating a Downtown: Dixie and Atlantic Commission Update

February 22, 2022



# Agenda

**A look back**

**The  
Vision**

**Data  
Overview**

**Next  
Steps**

# Road to our Downtown

1. Multiple parcel acquisitions over time – 30 acres owned by the City / CRA
2. Collaboration among stakeholders and laying the framework
3. Laying the framework:
  - Downtown Charette (2008)
  - Connectivity Plan (2010)
  - Cultural Center planning and design (2010)
  - NWCRA massing and zoning analysis (2011)
  - Downtown Pompano TOC Land Use and Overlay District adopted (2013)
  - MLK Boulevard improvements completed (2015)
  - Old Town streetscape completed (2016)
  - Civic plaza and fire fountain completed (2016)
  - Cultural Center construction completion (May 11, 2017)
  - East Transit Oriented Corridor (ETOC) (December 2017)
  - Atlantic boulevard and Dixie Highway Complete Streets Conceptual Design (2015-2018)
  - Phase 1 Construction Atlantic Boulevard / Dixie Highway – (October 2021)

# Missing in the planned Downtown area

- A defined gateway/entrance
- Connectivity/walkability
- Activated areas with people
- Opportunities for gathering and socializing more than just once a month (at Old Town Untapped)
- Restaurants and bars
- Retail and Residential
- Office and opportunity for a great work environment and jobs

# The Downtown Experience

Florida's Warmest Welcome  
It's How You Feel When You're Here



You leave the office and walk – in the new downtown – to meet up with friends...



Old Town's Fire Fountain Plaza  
...intimate with restaurants opening  
onto the plaza. Papamigos Food  
Truck currently on site with building  
renovations starting soon.

You enjoy dinner by the Fire Fountain  
or along NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue



Conceptual rendering – view looking Southeast from Old Town



*Or...*  
Dinner and socializing in Old Town's Backyard currently under construction





***Then...***

You pop into BaCA to see the new exhibit  
or walk to The Ali for an intimate  
outdoor concert



***Or ...***

**Crossing Atlantic Boulevard now to watch a performance at the Cultural Center**



Conceptual rendering – view looking South towards Cultural Center (on NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue)

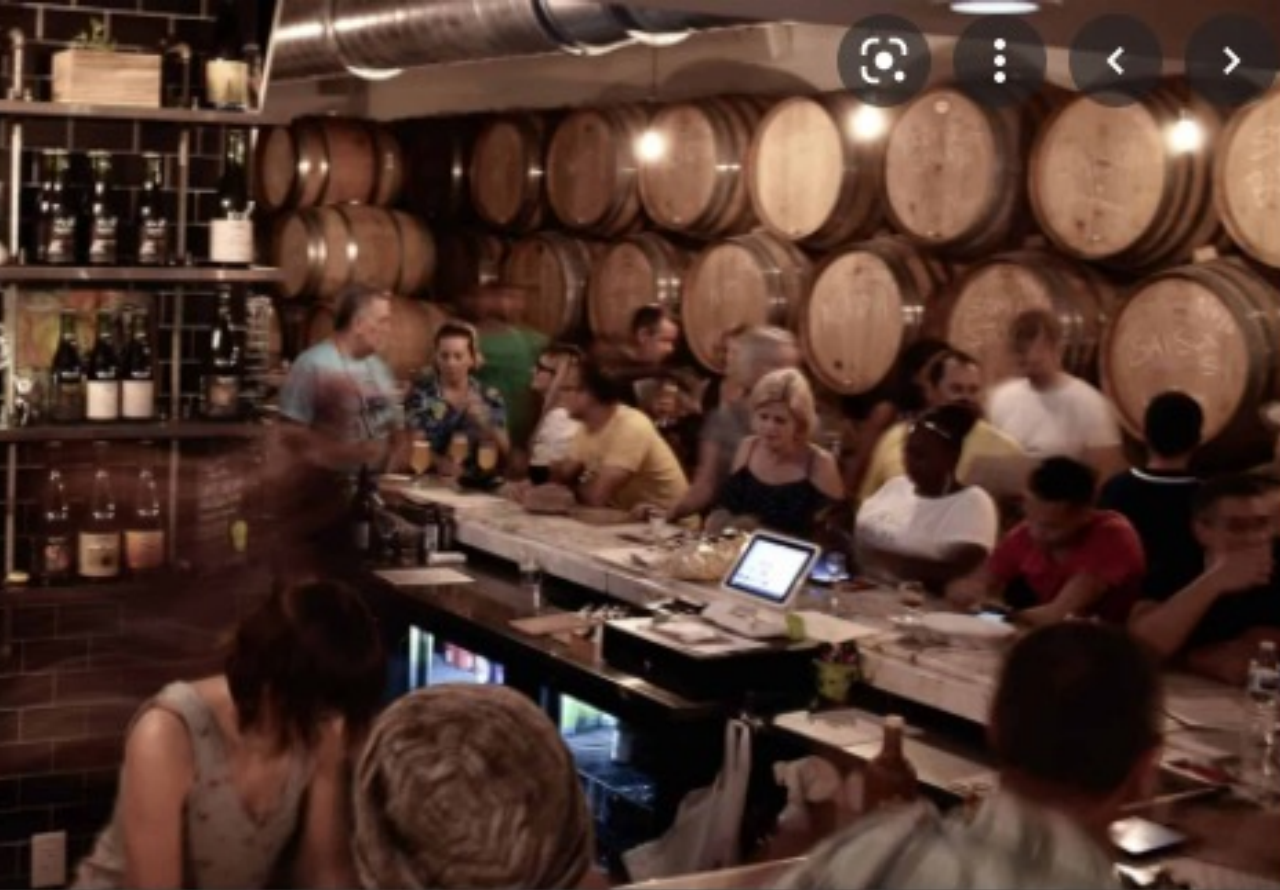


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***And...***

after you've enjoyed a great show, to finish the night...



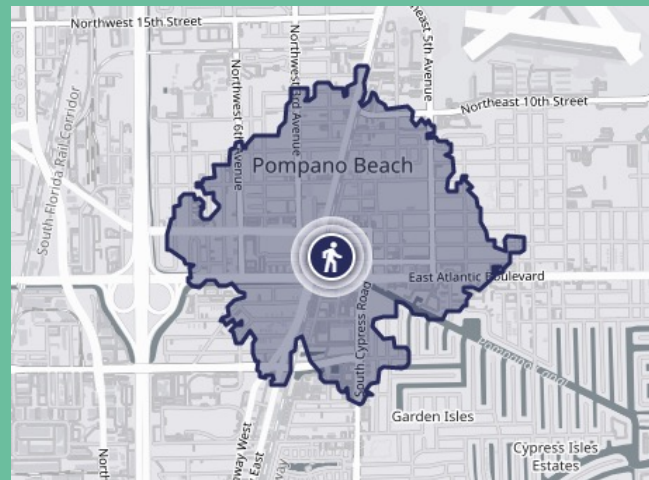
You walk back to the Old Town District for a beverage or dessert and to talk about your evening experience!



**And finally, after work or the end of your evening, you can even walk home!**



**It's Walkable!  
But Not Safe!**



Illustrates a 15-minute walk



Illustrates a 10-minute walk



Dr. Martin Luther King Boulevard

Paul Hughes Health Center

North Regional Health Center

Atlantic Boulevard

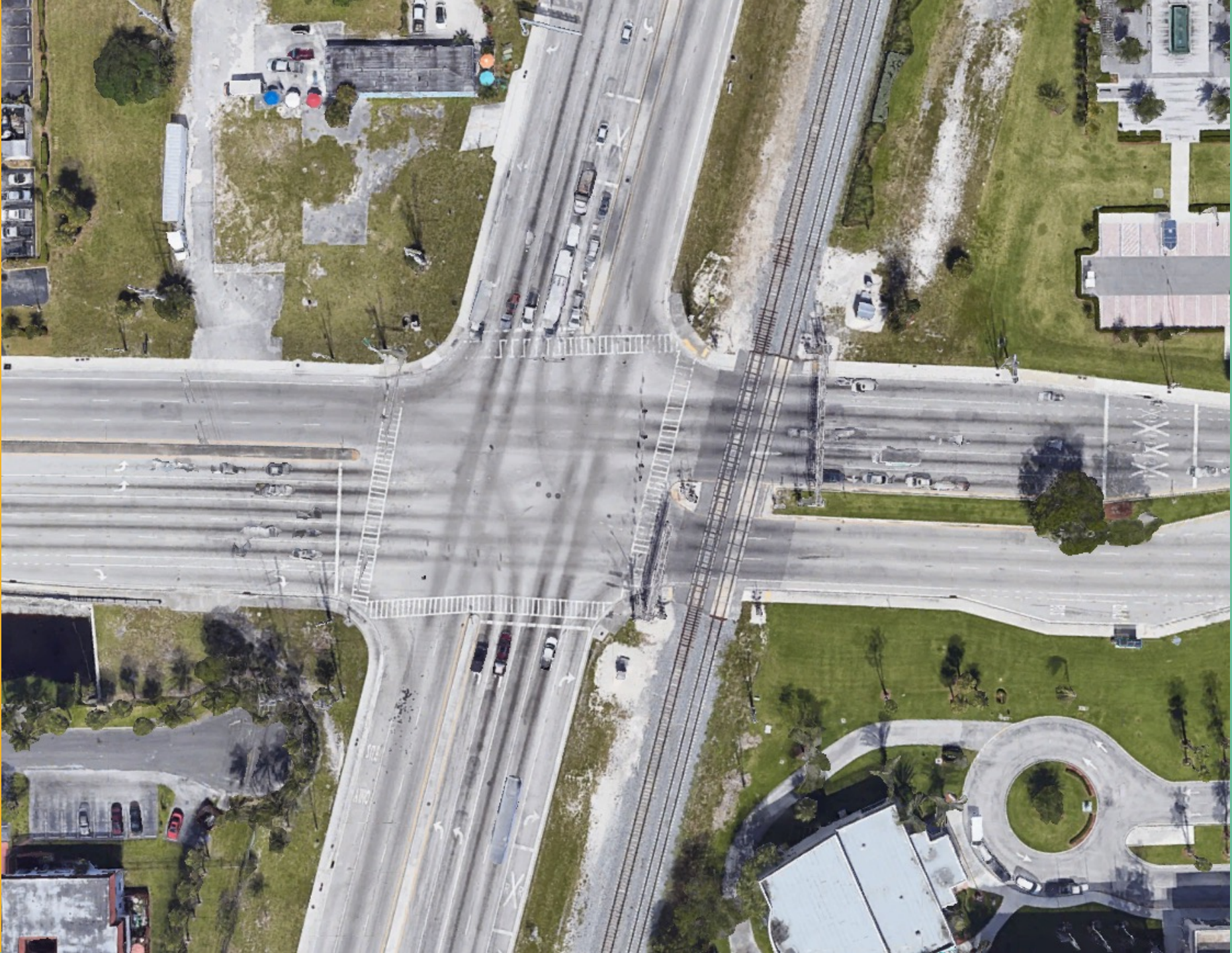
Dixie Highway

Pompano Beach Family Practice

Pompano Beach Library and Cultural Center

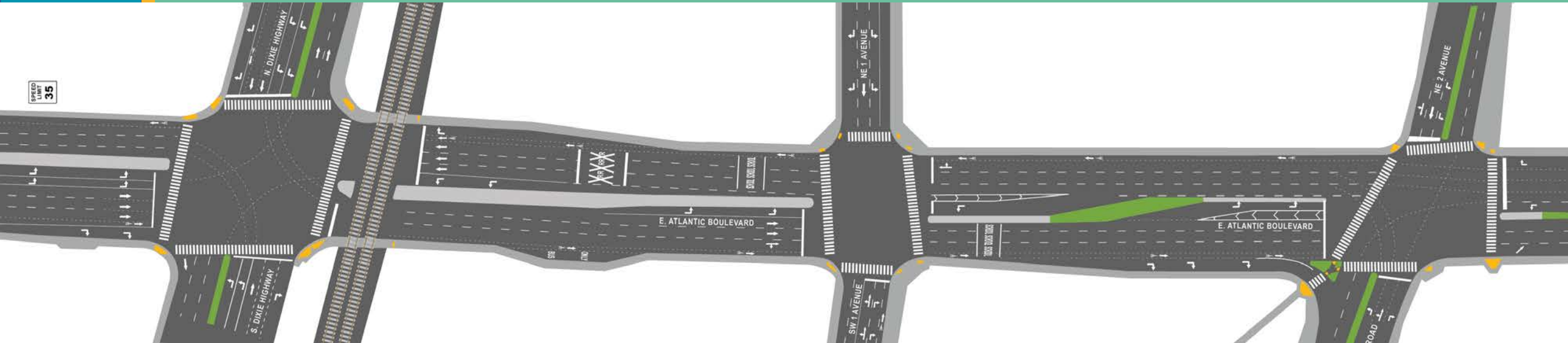
# Our Downtown



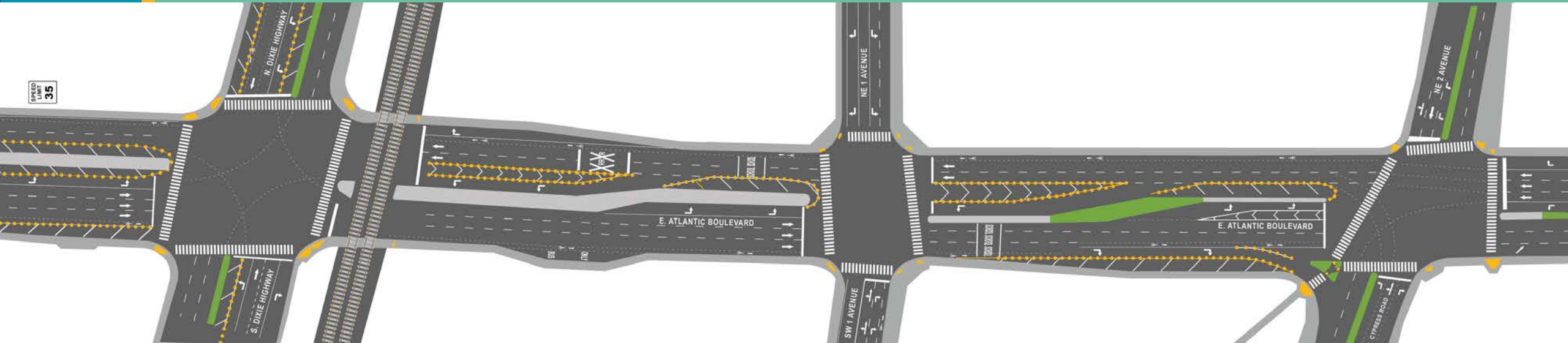


# Atlantic/Dixie Pompano Beach

# Existing Conditions – Prior to October 2021



# Delineators installed – October 2021





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# WHY DELINEATORS?

## PRO'S:

1. Loosely simulates future conditions without tearing up the road.
2. Test the proposed design in order to optimize before construction. Able to take away elements along the roadway, the testing process allows us to systematically put elements back, so both Dixie AND Atlantic functions.



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# WHY DELINEATORS?

## CON'S:

1. Created a maze-like environment in the roadway, which is not conducive to ease of traffic flow, creates indecision, sitting in the intersection and illegal turning movements.
2. Does not replicate the final solution, i.e., landscape, lighting, crosswalks, medians are different.
3. Provides the impression that real travel time can be accurately measured as if the road is built.

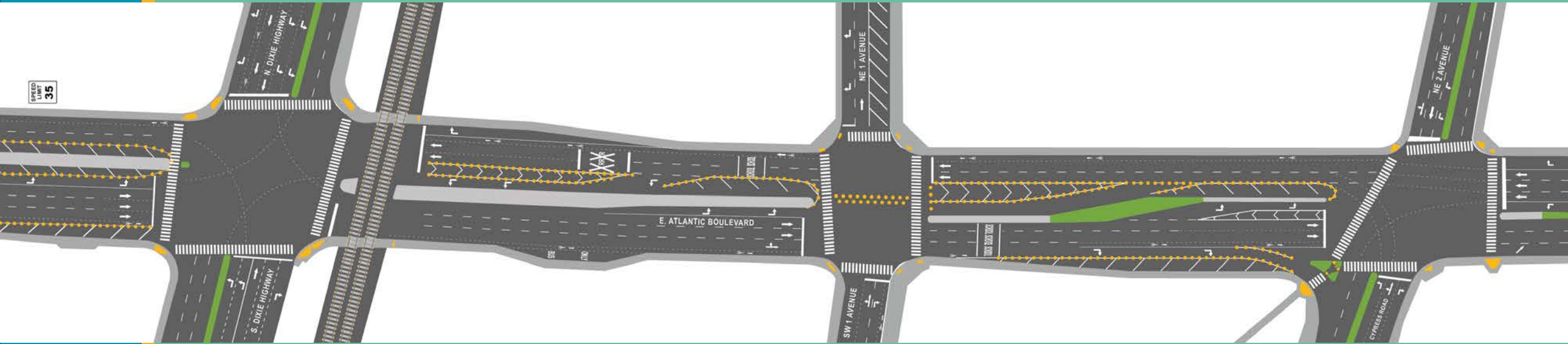
## RESULTS:

The future roadway will not have delineators which will ease the flow of traffic, calm traffic and make the intersection safer.

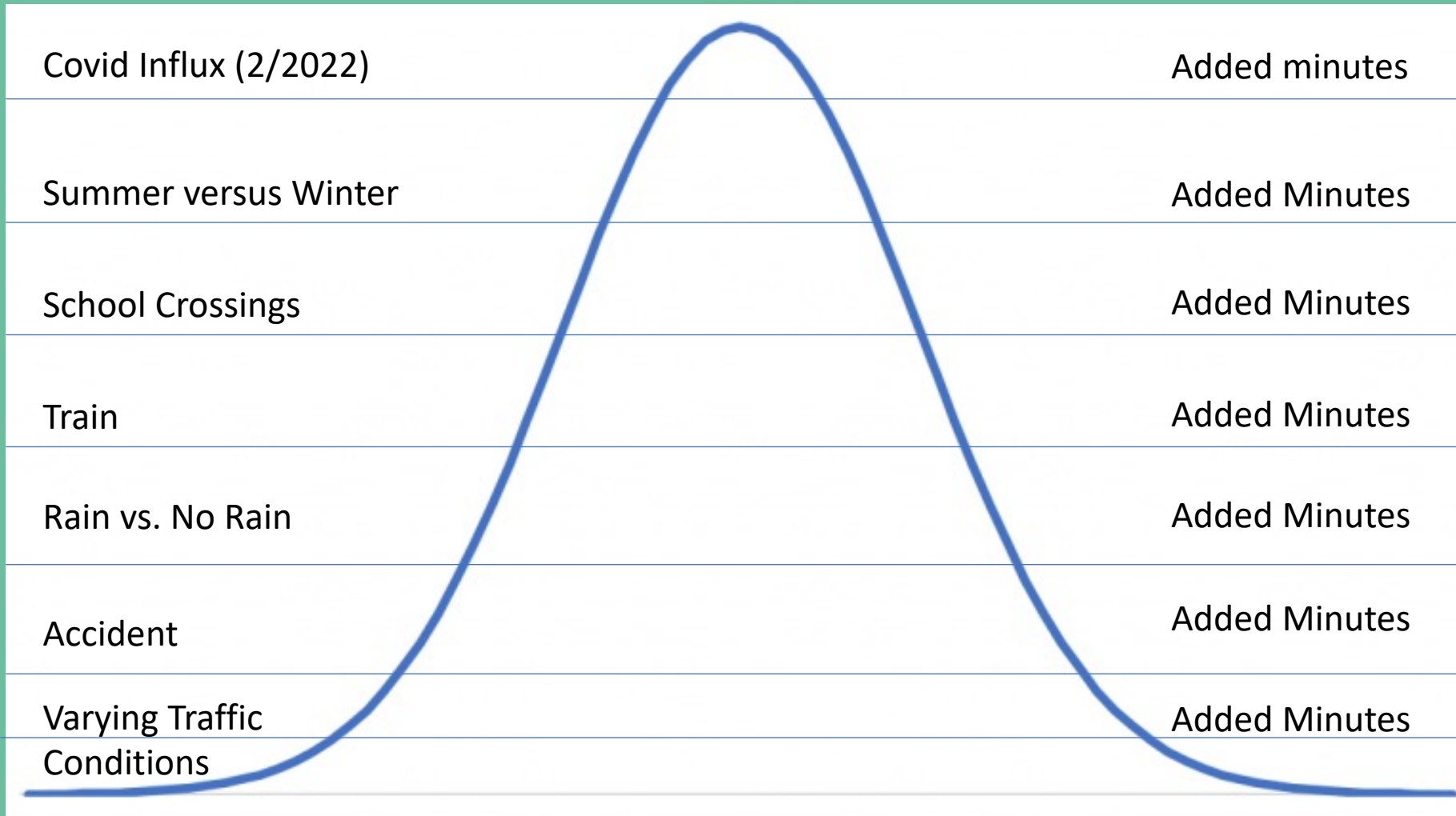


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# Modifications – December 2021



# Impacts to Traffic Flow





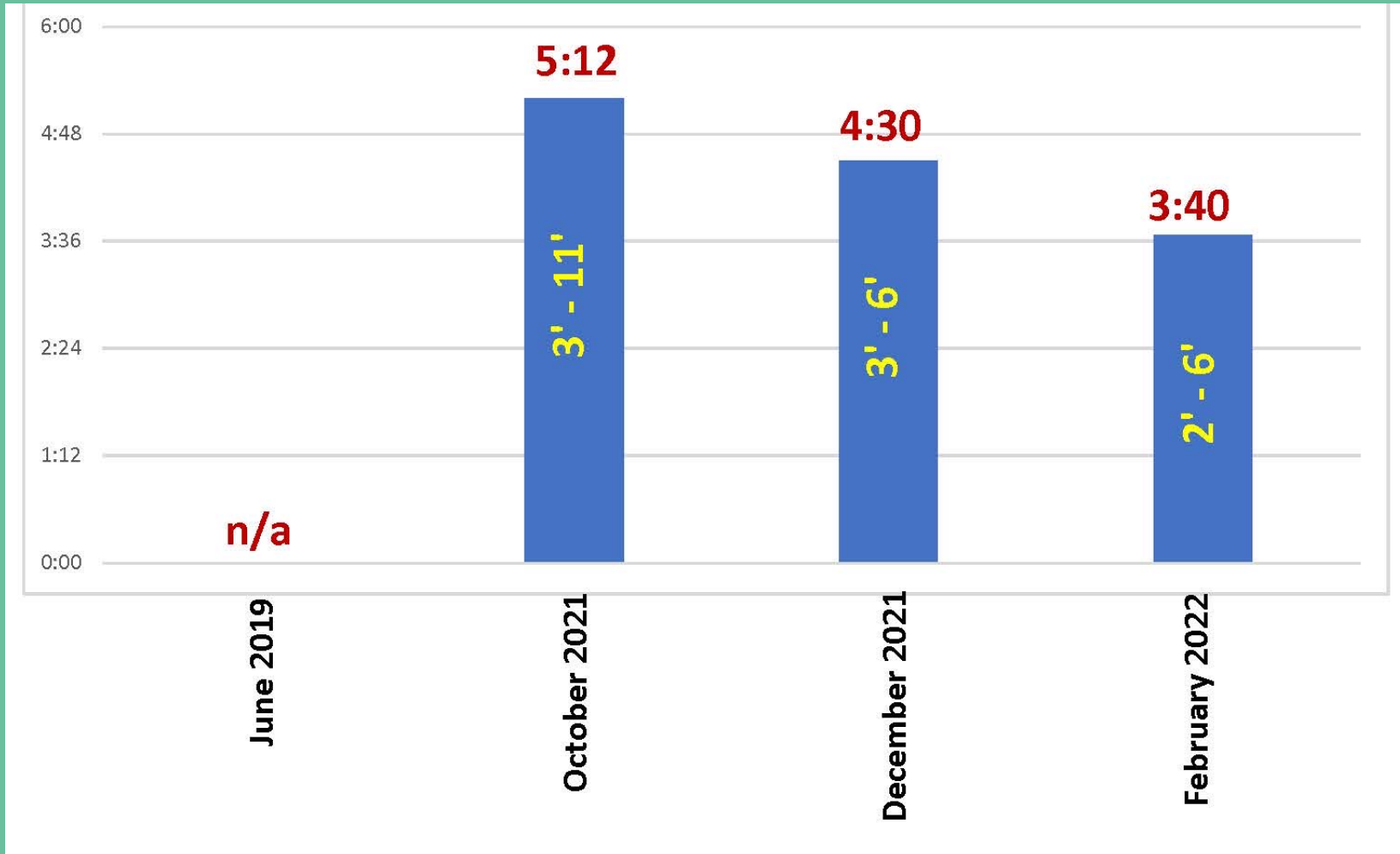
# TRAIN IMPACT (like the bridge)

1. There are multiple trains per day and the typical length of a freight train is 2 miles long, average speed 50-60mph. Typical wait time is **3-5 minutes** for a freight train (source All Aboard Florida EIA).
2. Typical interruption due to Brightline train is less than 60 seconds. (source Brightline)
3. Trains interrupt traffic regardless of how many lanes are present.



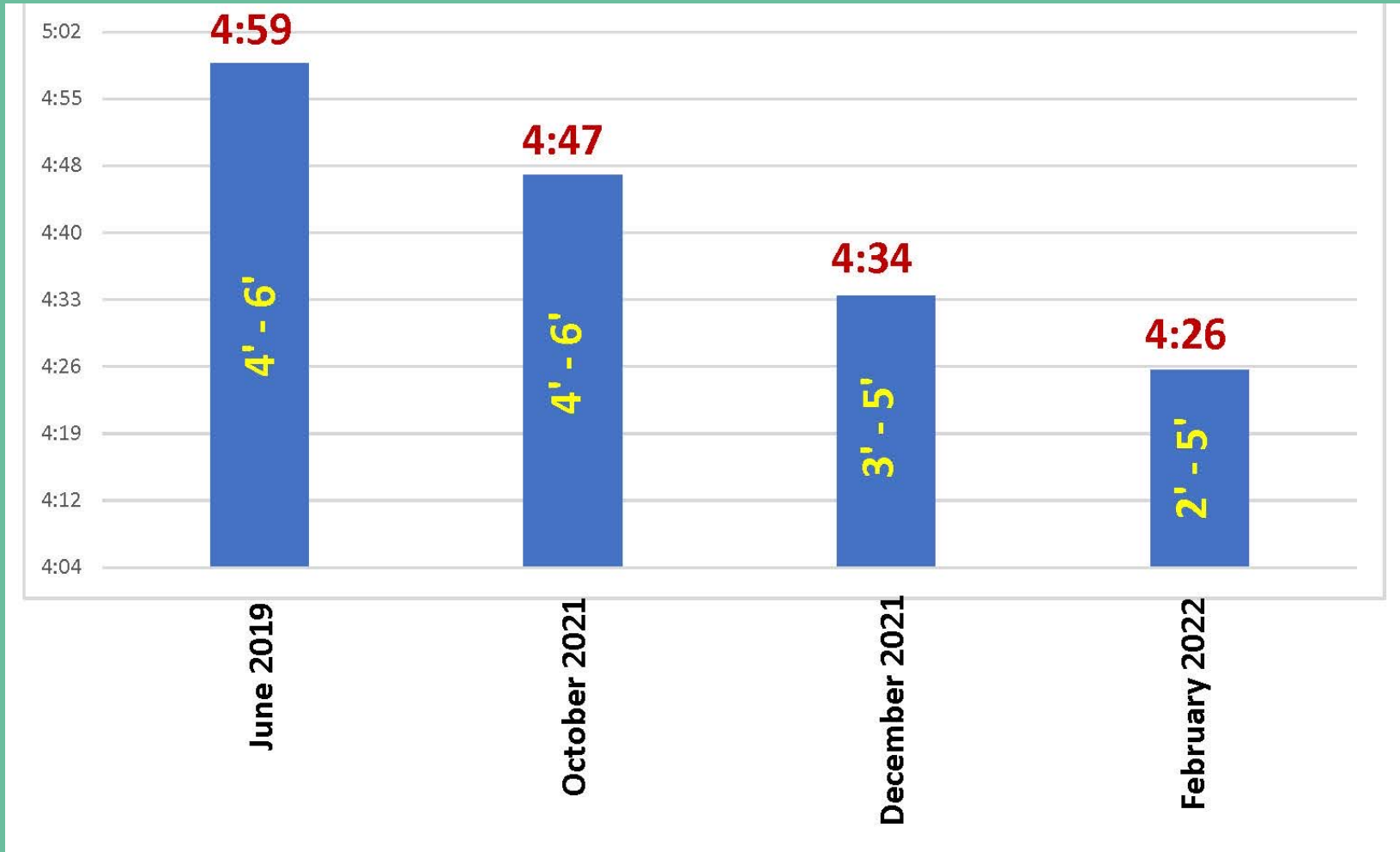
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Eastbound Atlantic 7am – 9am: NW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. to NE 11<sup>th</sup> Ave.



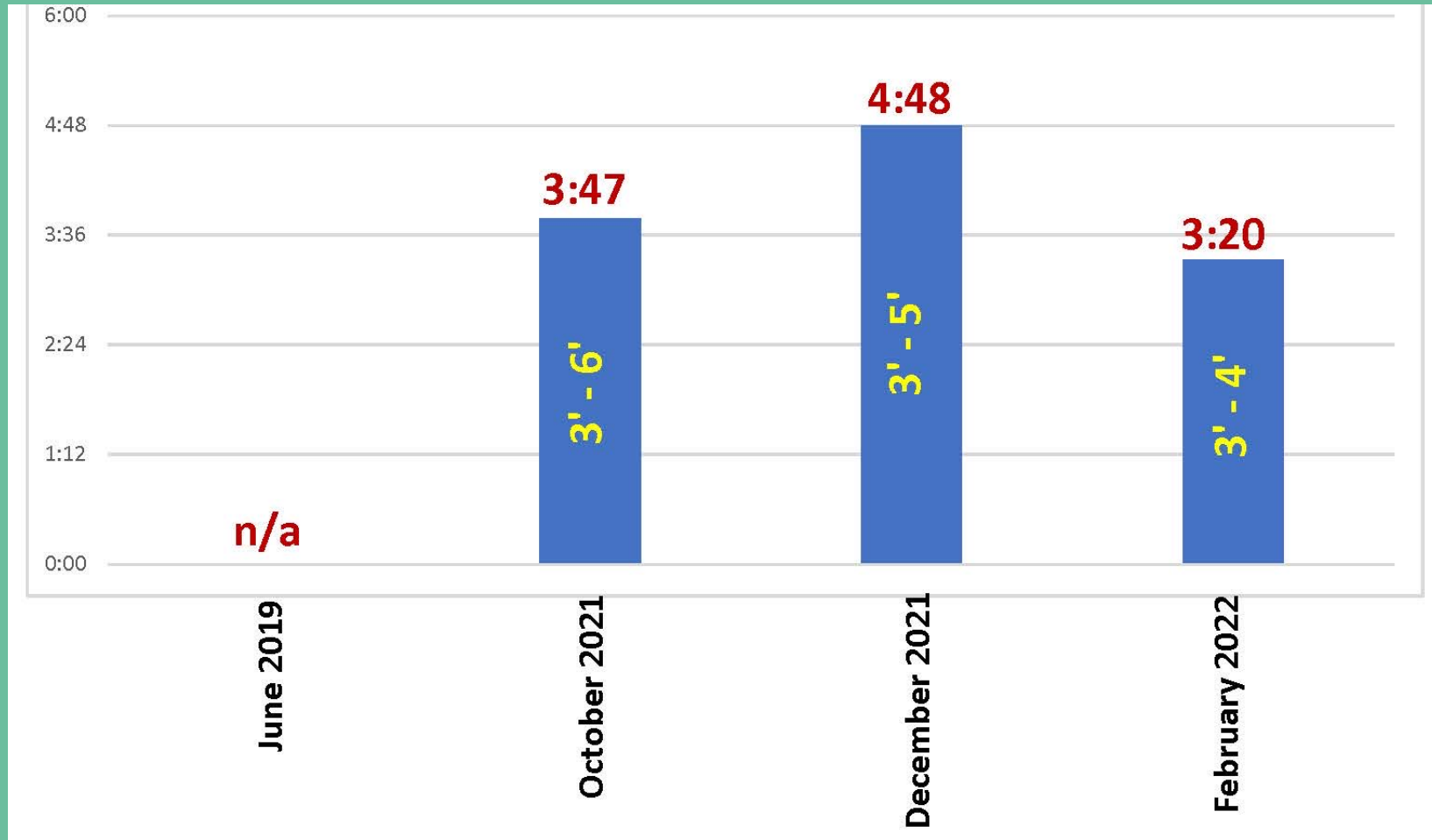
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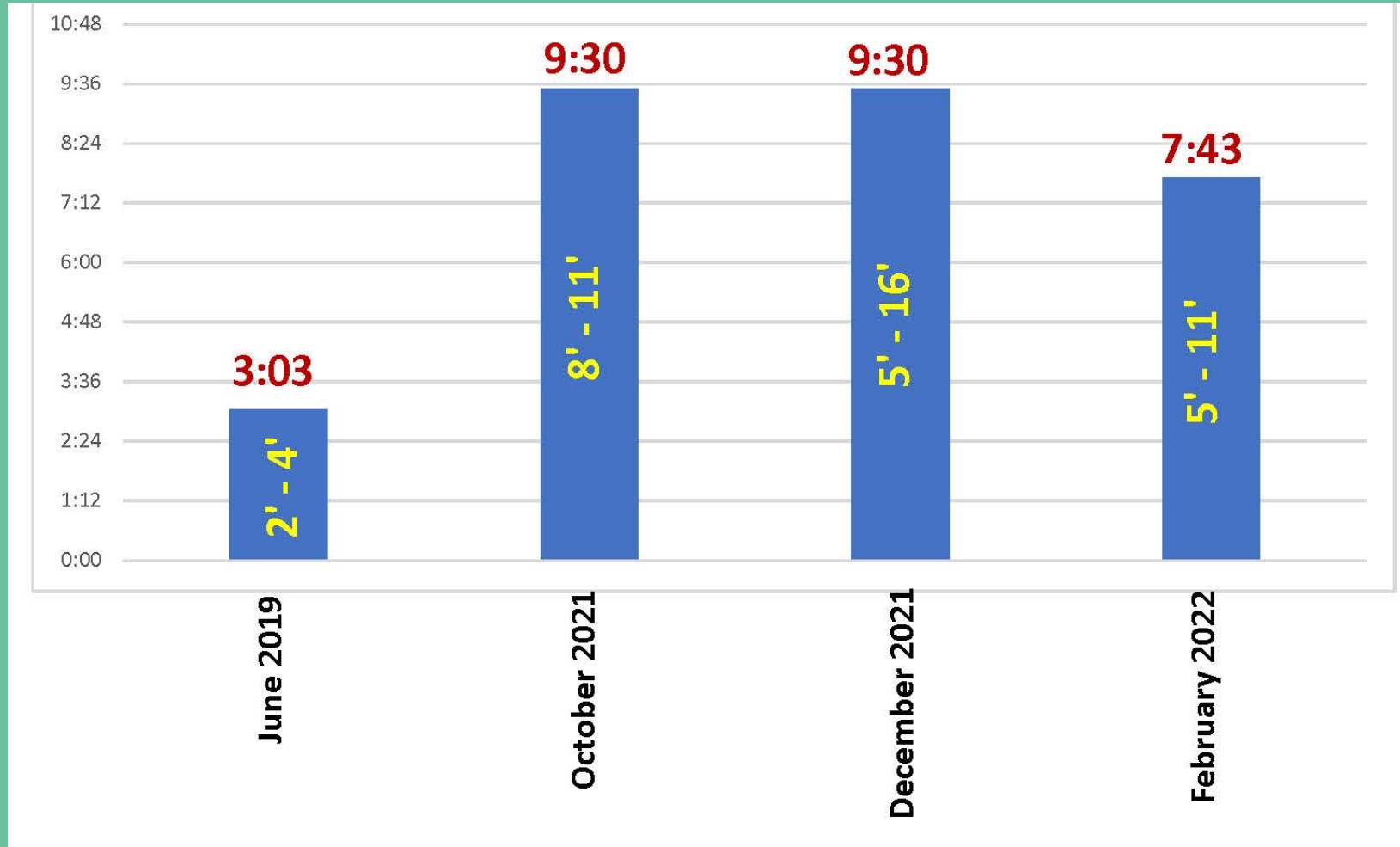
# Travel Times

Westbound Atlantic 7am – 9am: NE 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. to NW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.



# Travel Times

Westbound Atlantic 4pm – 6pm: NE 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. to NW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.



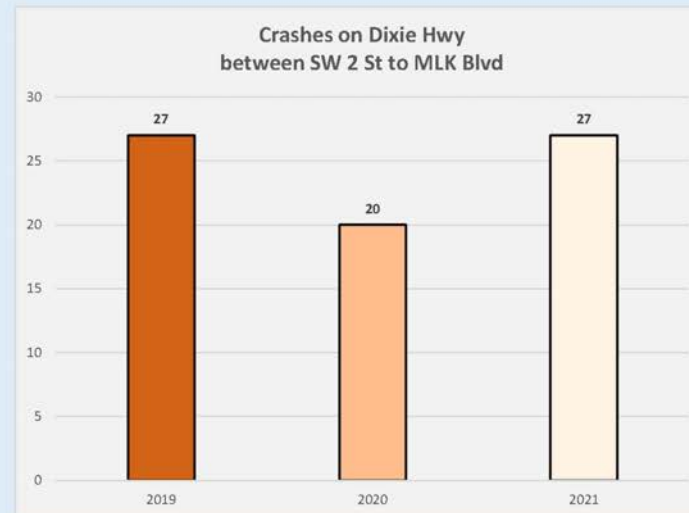
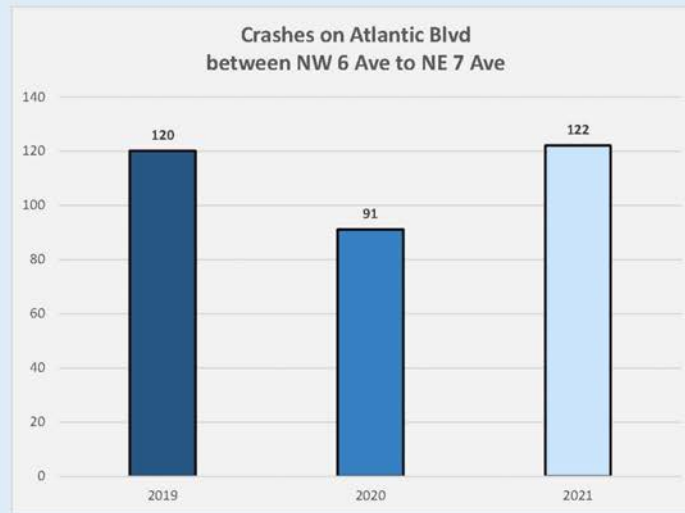
The travel times taken in February is the “peak of the peak”, as compared to when the original travels times were taken in the summer

# Safety – What does the data mean



Sheriff Gregory Tony  
sheriff.org

Jan 1 to Nov 30  
3 year Comparison  
2019 2020 2021

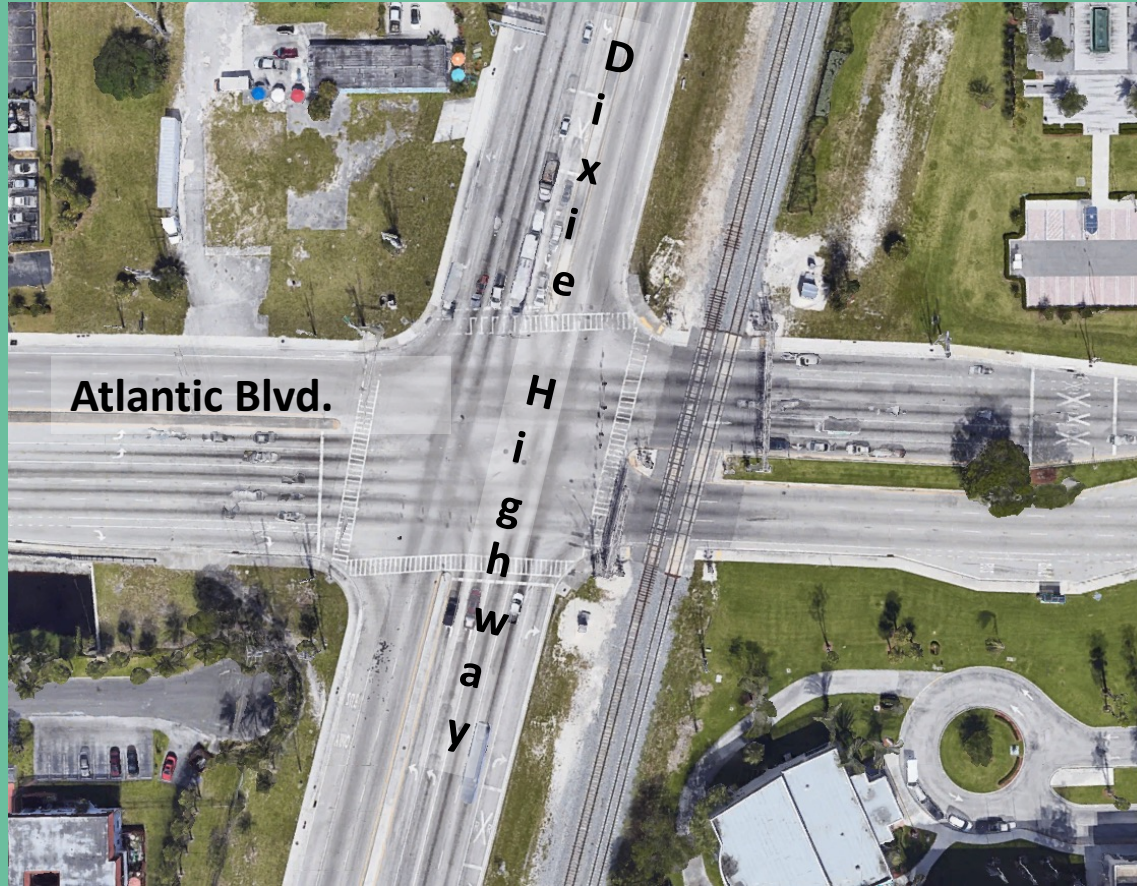


Sgt. Wisniewski 12.19.21

FDOT examines traffic data and “compares” roadway sections. Is the level of safety what it should be based on current safety standards. DOT looks at what it should be, and if it is not, then the factor is considered above 1. The intersection of Atlantic and Dixie has had a factor of over 1.9 and above 2 for a number of years.



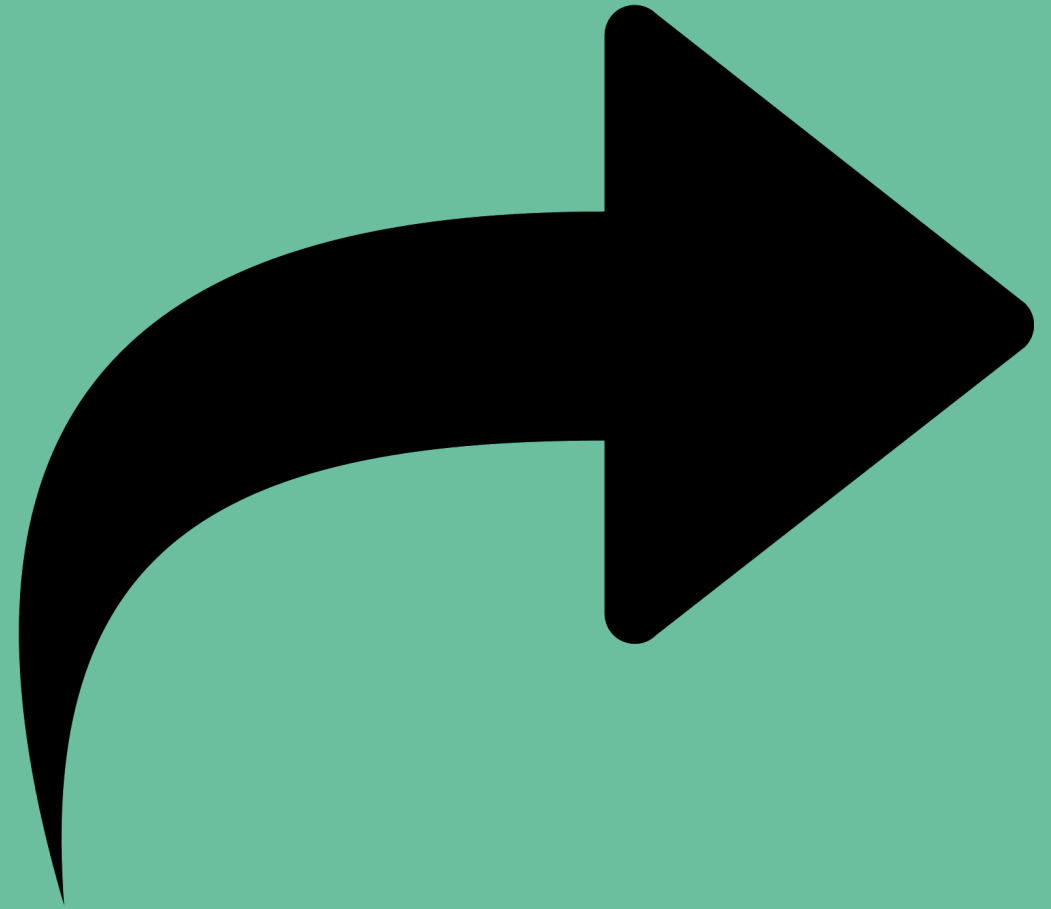
# The Comparison





# The Final Optimization to the Design

- Add second left hand turn on North bound Dixie to West bound Atlantic.
- Add second left hand turn on South bound Dixie to East bound Atlantic.
- Add right hand turn on South bound Dixie to West bound Atlantic.



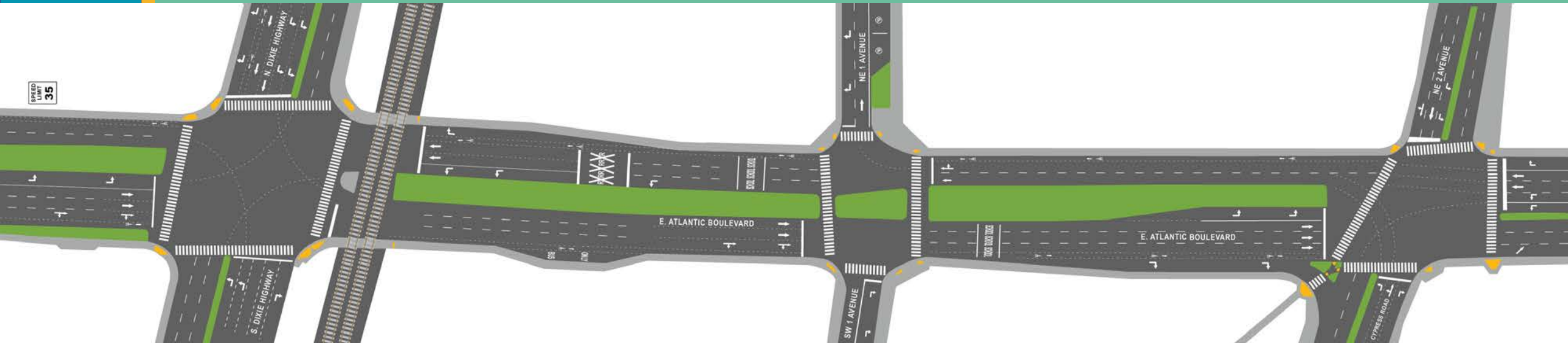
# The Fix

- All these improvements allow us to transfer “green time” to Atlantic Boulevard.

*The Power of 2 Seconds*



# Optimized Design



The final constructed version of the streetscape improvements are different than the simulated version of the traffic patterns that are in the road today.

# Next Steps

1. Remove traffic delineators in a phased approach
2. Optimize streetscape plans
3. Contractor begins construction on Dixie Highway segment (NE 10<sup>th</sup> south)
4. Contractor begins construction of optimized design of Atlantic (east of Dixie)



# Atlantic/Dixie Transformative Roadway Improvements – A “Key Puzzle Piece:



Vehicles

Safety

Children and  
School Crossing

Pedestrian

*Dixie and Atlantic  
Improvements*

Entertainment

Quality of Life

Eliminate Blight

Connectivity

Trains

Landscape

Walkability



**Conceptual rendering – Our New Downtown**  
View looking South towards Cultural Center (on NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue)



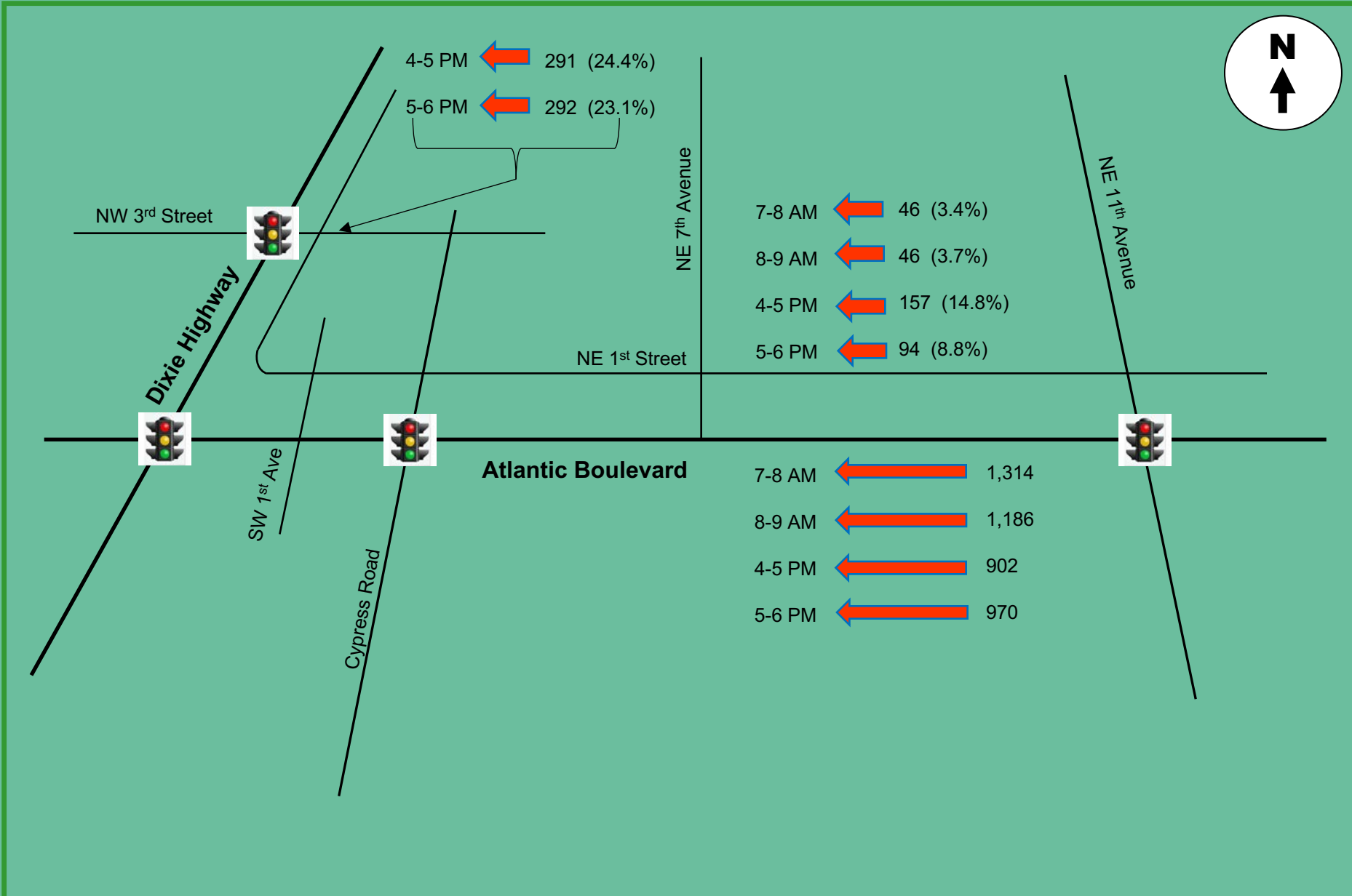
**Conceptual Rendering**  
View looking South towards Cultural Center from Flagler



**Conceptual Rendering**  
View Northwest towards Downtown District, above Cultural Center



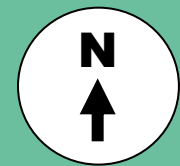
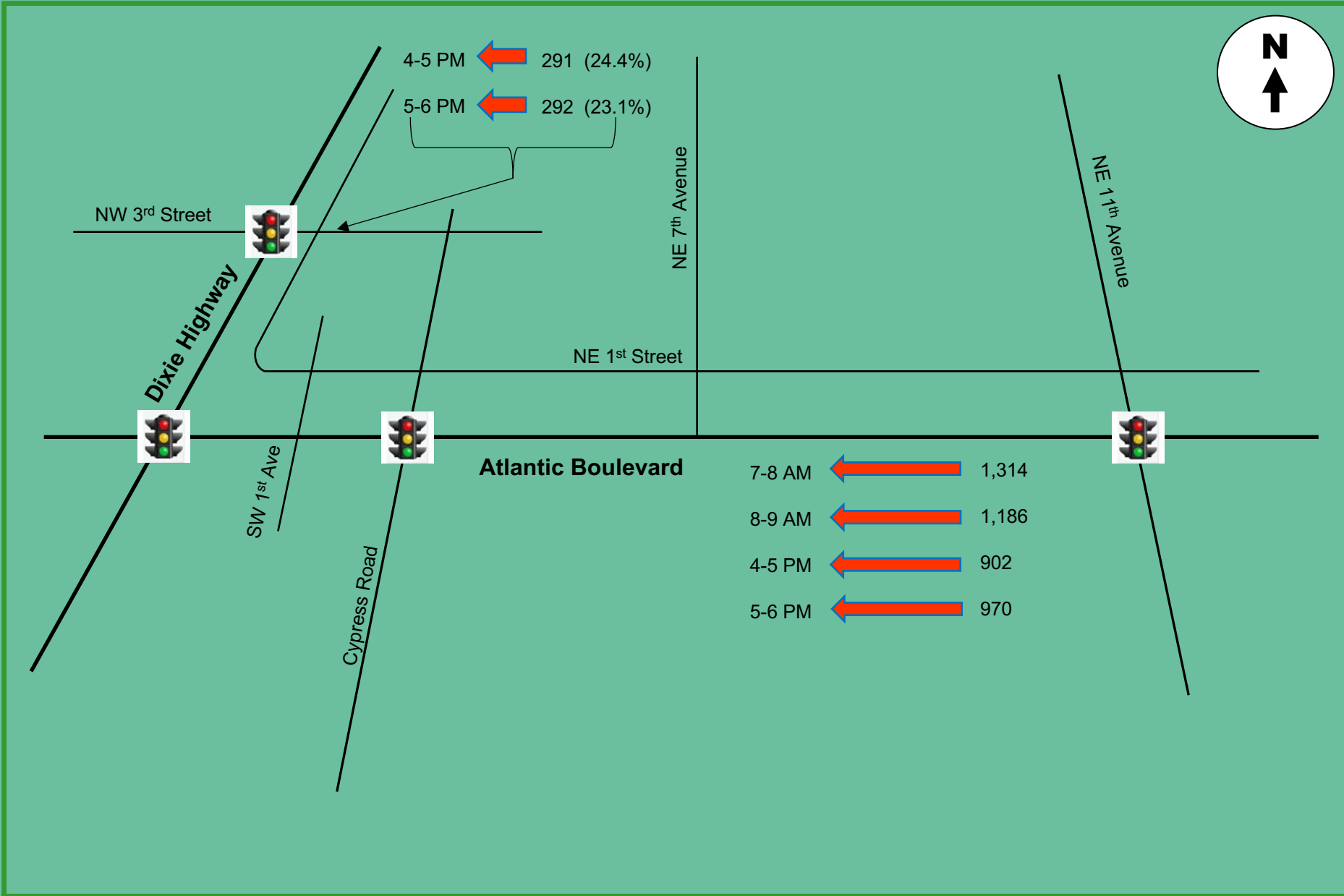




**Traffic Counts**  
**Atlantic Boulevard and NE 1<sup>st</sup> /NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets**

**FIGURE 1**  
 Pompano Beach, Florida

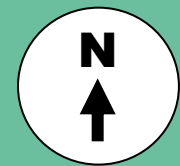
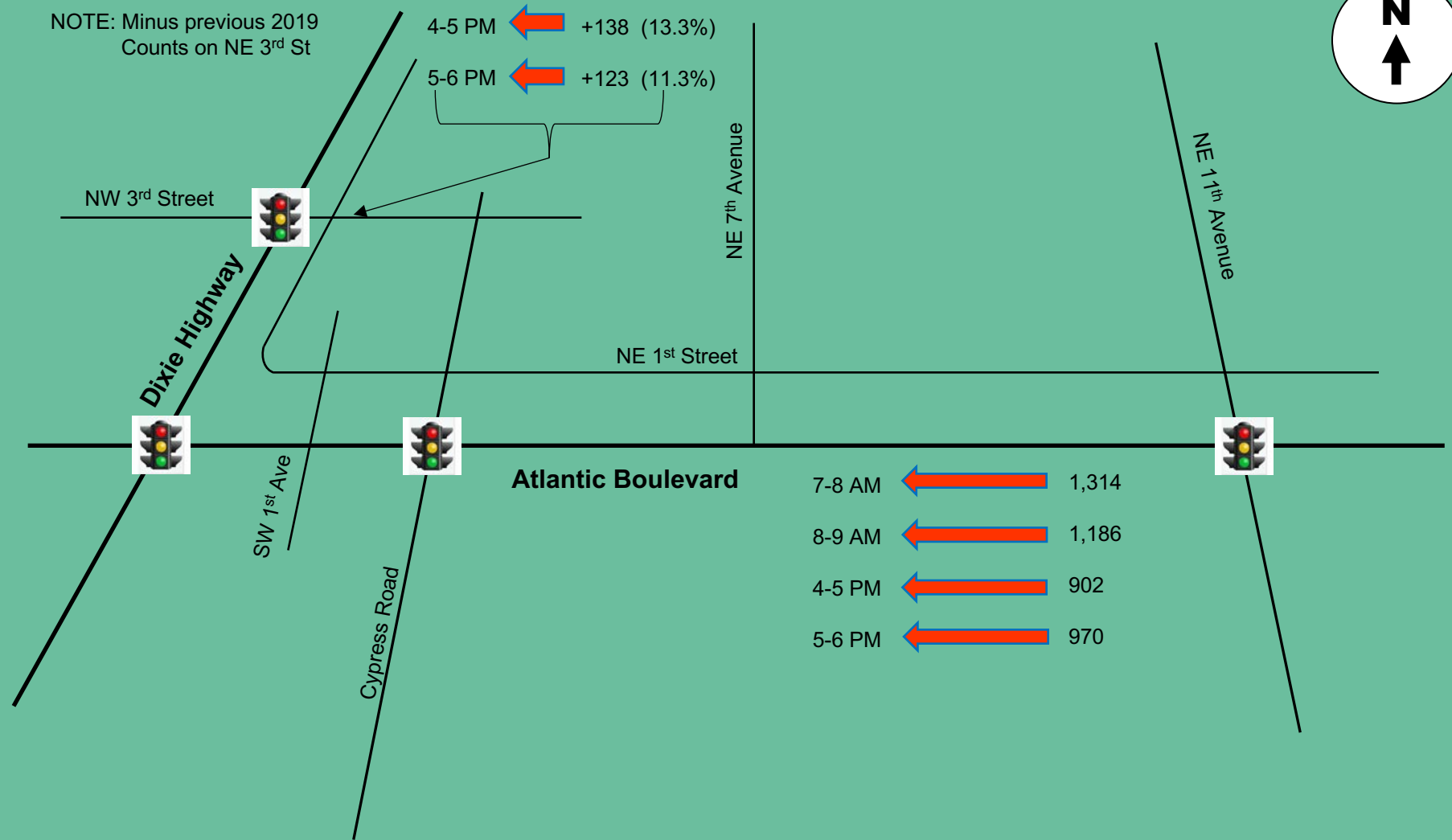




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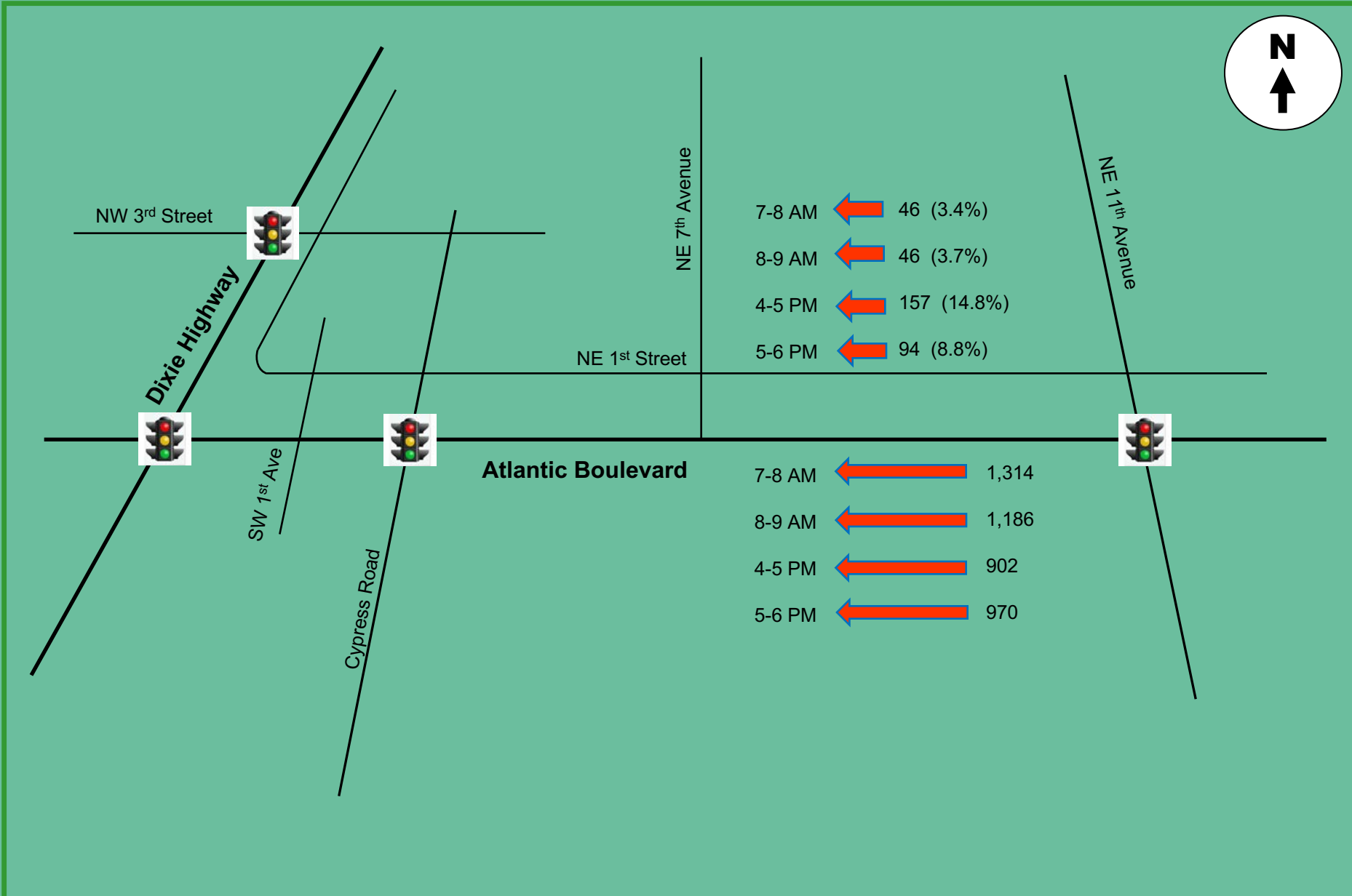
NOTE: Minus previous 2019  
Counts on NE 3<sup>rd</sup> St



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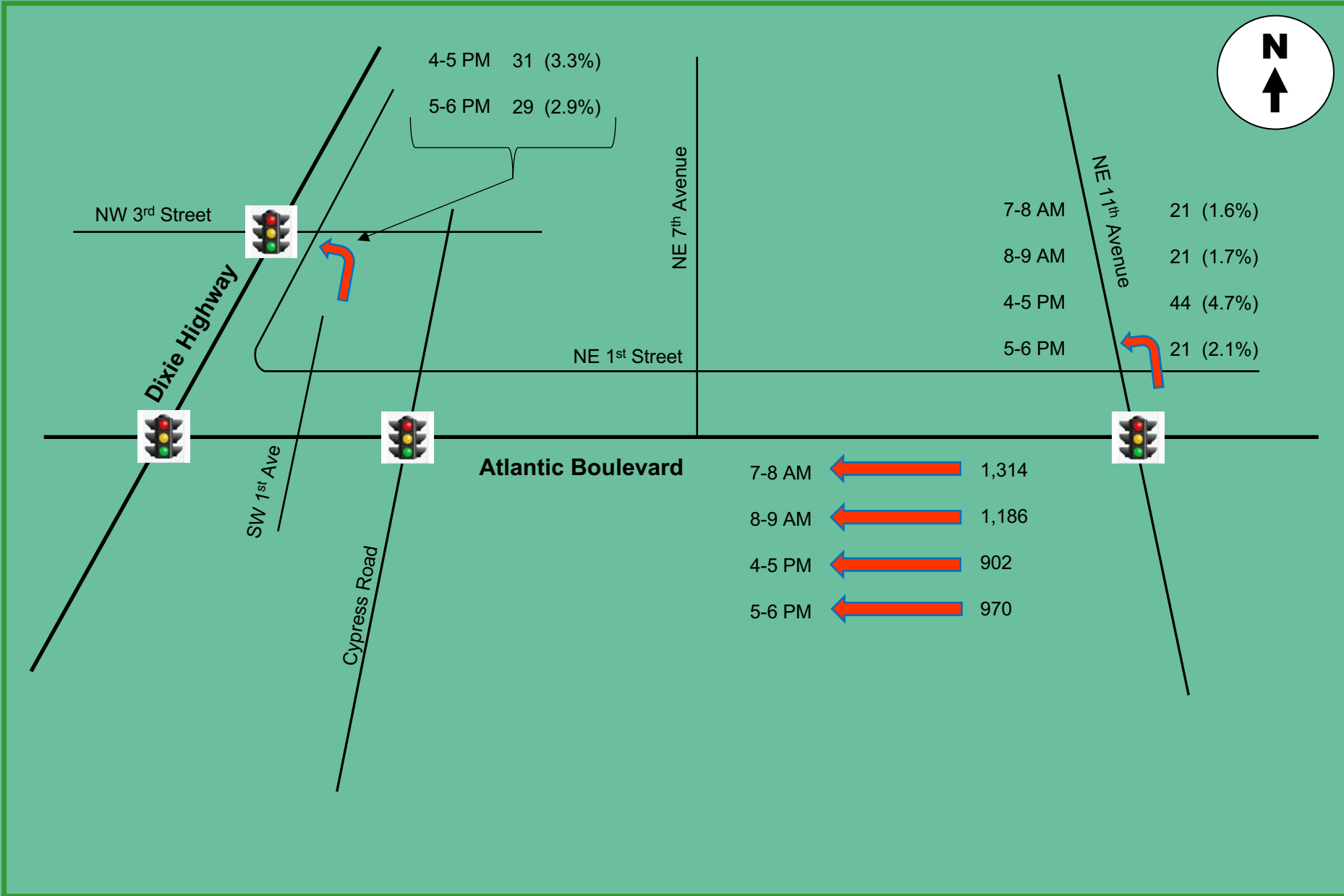
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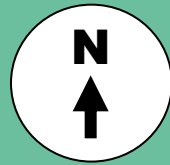
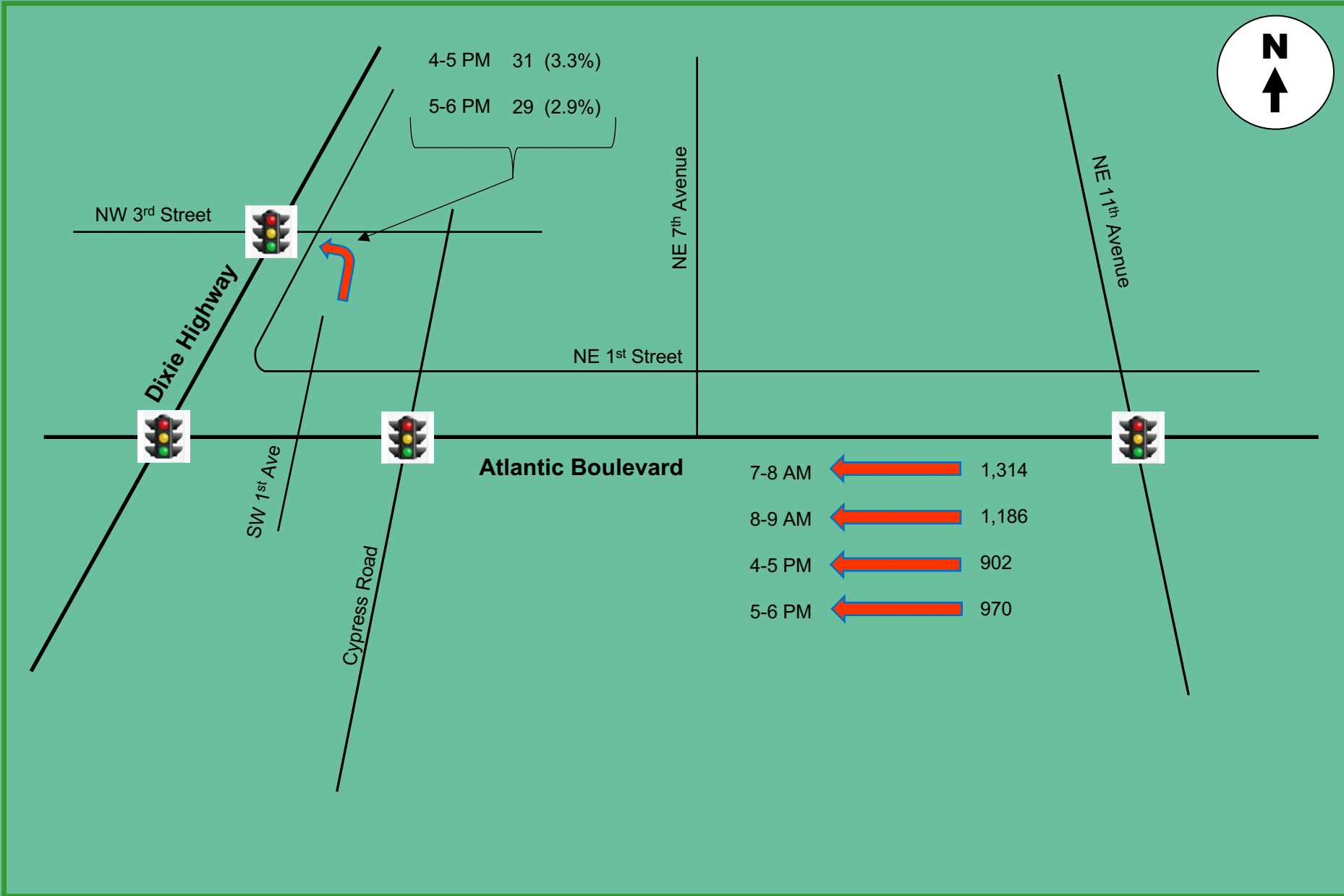
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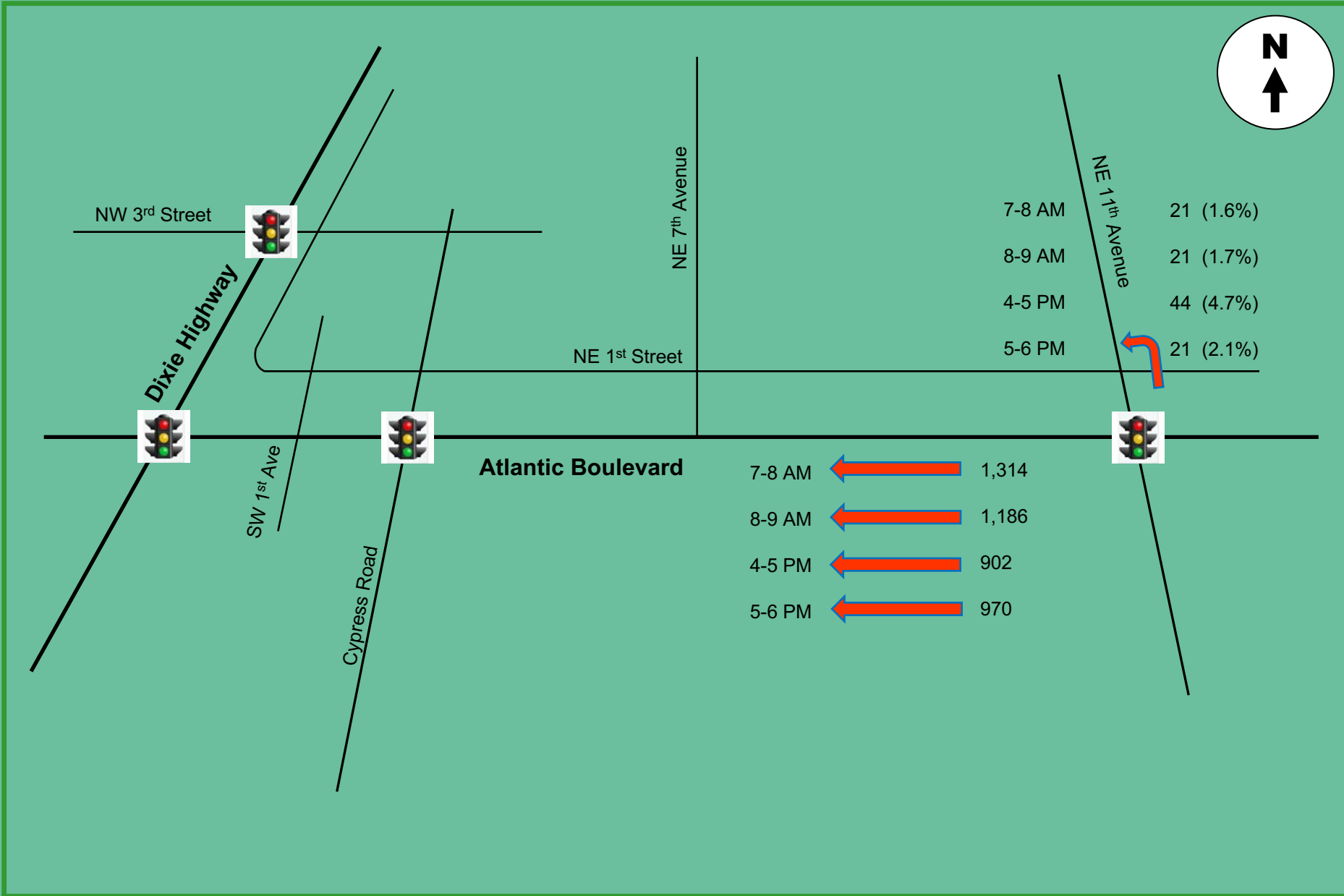
**FIGURE 4**  
 Pompano Beach, Florida



**Traffic Counts**  
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**FIGURE 5**  
 Pompano Beach, Florida





## Traffic Counts Atlantic Boulevard and NE 1<sup>st</sup> /NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets

**FIGURE 7**  
Pompano Beach, Florida