RESOLUTION NO. 2004 – 106

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE **BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** TO PLACE A RURAL GREENWAYS "LOOP" ON THE BROWARD COUNTY GREENWAY SYSTEM MAP IN ORDER TO AVOID A POTENTIALLY SERIOUS TRAFFIC CONFLICT AT THE SIX LANE GRIFFIN ROAD GREENWAY CROSSING OVER THE I-75 HIGHWAY; RECOMMENDING THAT THE LINKS OF THE "LOOP" SHOULD CONSIST OF MULTI-PURPOSE TRAILS PLACED ALONG: **VOLUNTEER ROAD, THE NORTH TWO** LANES OF STIRLING ROAD FROM VOLUNTER ROAD (SW 148 AVE.) TO DYKES ROAD (SW 160 AVE.), DYKES ROAD, WESTON ROAD, AND SOUTH POST ROAD ABOVE 1-75 FROM WESTON ROAD TO THE WESTERN EXTENSION OF ORANGE DRIVE; REQUESTING THAT BROWARD COUNTY JOIN THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES AND THE TOWN OF DAVIE IN WORKING TO OBTAIN TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT FUNDS, WHICH MAY BE AVAILABLE FROM **EITHER BROWARD COUNTY'S LAND PRESERVATION TRUST** OR THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORATION (FDOT), DISTRICT FOUR; PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONS TO THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR; AND PROVIDING AN **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, Broward County has commenced preparation of construction drawings for the Griffin Road multi-purpose Greenway Corridor to be located along both sides of the South Florida Water Management District's C-14 Canal; and

WHEREAS, During public review of the 30% completed construction drawings, there has been a general consensus that there is a need for a "loop" trail to be placed around the intersection of the Griffin Road multi-purpose Greenway Corridor and the I-75 Interchange due to the extremely high traffic volume; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Southwest Ranches has recently received grant funds to construct the two southern most north/south links of the "loop" on Volunteer Road (SW 148 Ave.) and Dykes Road (SW 160 Ave.) consisting of a 12' wide multi-purpose trail with landscaping, signage and a public trailhead located in the new Southwest Ranches Equestrian Park

(a joint venture with Broward County) located along the Volunteer Road Trail; and

WHEREAS, Both Broward County and the Florida Department of Transportation have set aside funding to assist in developing safe Greenway Corridors; and

WHEREAS, the Town Councils of Southwest Ranches and Davie have determined that multi-purpose trail enhancements in the rural public right of ways further the objectives set forth in each Town's Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Councils of Southwest Ranches and Davie have identified the Stirling Road Greenway Corridor as the impetus for a safety and beautification enhancement project with a connection to the Broward County Regional Greenway System and is seeking potential funding up to \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

Section 1: The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches hereby respectfully requests the Broward County Board of County Commissioners to place a rural Greenways "Loop" on the Broward County Greenway System Map in order to avoid a potentially serious traffic conflict at the six lane Griffin Road Greenway Crossing over the I-75 Highway. The Town Council recommends that the links of the "Loop" should consist of multi-purpose trails placed along: Volunteer Road, the North two lanes of Stirling Road from Volunteer Road (SW 148th Ave.) to Dykes Road, Weston Road, and South Post Road above I-75 from Weston Road to the Western extension of Orange Drive.

Section 3: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches hereby respectfully requests that Broward County join the Town of Southwest Ranches and the Town of Davie in working to obtaining transportation enhancement funds for this project, which may be available from either Broward County's Land Preservation Trust or the Florida Department of Transportation, District Four.

Section 4: The Town Council hereby authorizes its Town Administrator to develop a joint funding application for installing a multi-purpose trail on the North two lanes of Stirling Road between SW 148 Ave and SW 160 Ave. The Town Council further requests the Town Administrator to attend all necessary meetings concerning this project and authorizes the Town Administrator to

coordinate any funding agreements that may result from the Town's joint efforts. The Town Administrator, moreover, is instructed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to all of the concerned parties.

Section 5: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 28th day of July 2004, on a motion by Council Member Don Maines and seconded by Vice Mayor Aster Knight.

Fink	<u> </u>	Ayes	5	
Knight	Y	Nays	0	
Blanton	Y	Absent or		
Maines	Y	Abstaining	0	
Nelson	Y			

Mecca Fink, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shari Canada, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney