

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 016**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION FULLY SUPPORT THE WIDENING OF GRIFFIN ROAD FROM BONAVENTURE BOULEVARD TO U.S. HIGHWAY 27; REQUESTING THE TOWN CLERK TO SEND A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE BROWARD COUNTY MPO, THE BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION, AND TO ALL OTHER IMPACTED GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Legislature formed the Town of Southwest Ranches to preserve the lifestyle of one of Broward County's remaining rural communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town believes that past development in the region has added additional traffic not anticipated when Griffin Road was originally constructed; and

**WHEREAS**, the portion of Griffin Road between Bonaventure Boulevard and U.S. Highway 27 is currently a two-lane roadway; and

**WHEREAS**, in its current state this portion of Griffin Road will soon be at, or above, capacity due to regional development not controlled by the Town of Southwest Ranches; and

**WHEREAS**, future developments such as a new 2,600 student charter school in the City of Pembroke Pines on SW 207<sup>th</sup> Avenue just south of Griffin Road will place substantial additional traffic on this roadway and will negatively impact the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Southwest desires this portion of Griffin Road to be widened to four lanes to improve the safety of motorists and bicyclists alike; and

**WHEREAS**, the widening of this portion of Griffin Road was not included in the updated MPO 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Town to create a roadway system in the Town that is safe, and ensures the health, safety, and welfare of the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches respectfully requests the Broward County MPO, the Broward County Commission and all other impacted governmental entities to widen Griffin Road between Bonaventure Boulevard to U.S. Highway 27 as it has been determined to be in the public's best interest.

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

**Section 1.** The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2.** The Town Council hereby respectfully requests the Broward County MPO and Broward County to widen Griffin Road from Bonaventure Boulevard to U.S. Highway 27 to a four lane roadway.

**Section 3.** The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Broward County MPO, the Broward County Commission, and to all other impacted governmental entities to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

**Section 4.** That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest

Ranches, Florida, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016 on a motion by

Jim Breitkreuz and seconded by Vice Mayor McKay.

Nelson	<u>Yes</u>
McKay	<u>Yes</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>Yes</u>
Fisikelli	<u>No</u>
Jablonski	<u>Yes</u>

Ayes	<u>4</u>
Nays	<u>1</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>

Jeff Nelson  
Jeff Nelson, Mayor

Attest:  
Russell Muñiz  
Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:  
Keith M. Poliakoff  
Keith M. Poliakoff, Town Attorney