

9-11-25 TRANSCRIPT of ZOOM MEETING re FDOT Project

1. Bridge Maintenance

- Will any work be completed on the upper portion of the bridge to address the visible rust and broken tiles? **Response:** The project scope does not include repairs to the mosaic tiles. This effort would need to be coordinated with the City of Miami Beach. The project includes repair welding to address loose handrails between the handrail and the aluminum railing. Please provide more information or a photo of the rust being referenced in the question to better understand the request.
- If so, will these damaged areas be replaced or repaired? **Response:** See above

2. Traffic Flow – 41st Street & Collins Avenue

- Eastbound traffic toward 41st Street has multiple alternate routes, yet westbound traffic from Collins to 41st frequently backs up and creates significant delays on Collins northbound.
- Is it possible to close the eastbound lane on 41st and open both lanes from Collins Avenue to westbound 41st Street so they merge into one lane before the traffic light? **Response:** This request is beyond the scope of this construction project. The inquiry will be routed to FDOT Traffic Operations for a response and further clarification. Our project team will forward this concern to Ramon Sierra at ramon.sierra@dot.state.fl.us and cc the MBNA primary email.
- Currently, the eastbound lane is primarily used by large CVS delivery trucks a few times per week. Could CVS be required to use smaller trucks or create a proper on-site loading zone (possibly by purchasing nearby parking spaces) so the lane can be available for general traffic? **Response:** This request is beyond the scope of the Construction Project. The inquiry will be routed to FDOT Traffic Operations for a response and further clarification.
- Residents south of 41st have requested this change multiple times, as they feel opening both lanes would significantly improve traffic flow. **Response:** Thank you for the information. This is beyond the scope of the construction project, and the inquiry will be routed to FDOT Traffic Operations for a response.

3. Bus Bay / Eminent Domain Discussion

- We would like to follow up on the Bus Bay issue and request further conversations regarding potential eminent domain with City transportation, legal, and elected officials. **Response:** This inquiry is beyond the scope of the Construction Project. The inquiry will be routed to the FDOT Design Project Manager for distribution to the appropriate Department.

4. Staging Plan

- What is the staging plan for this project? **Response:** The Contractor has a staging area outside of the project limits. Equipment may only be staged within construction zones in the FDOT right-of-way and out of the travel way clear zone.
- Will the 46th Street lot be used for staging purposes? **Response:** Staging areas are coordinated by the contractor, and he intends to only use his existing staging area. The lot at 46 Street will not be used.

5. Bike Lane

- The original project plans indicated there would be a bike lane on the southbound side of Collins Avenue. Will this no longer be included? **Response:** The southbound striping plans include a shared bike lane. A shared bike lane is a roadway where bicyclists and motor vehicles share the same travel lane, indicated by shared lane markings or "sharrows". Signs will also be installed indicating the bicycle may use full lane. Nonetheless, we will investigate the history of the bike lane design with the Engineer of Record and provide additional feedback.

1. **LANDSCAPING.** What are the landscape plans for the project? [FDOT please add link to plans or website that outlines the plans for the median.] **Response:** See link attached: [44393115201-PLANS-06-LANDSCAPE.pdf](#)
2. **LIGHTING.** Could there be uplighting for landscaping, especially the new palms? MBNA understood the City said they could work with the State to plan such an item to be included in their budget. Looking forward to learning more at the next meeting. **Response:** The project does not include uplighting in the scope of work. The City may consider entering into agreement to add uplighting in a separate project in the future within FDOT right-of-way. The landscape plans have been shared for a better understanding of the infrastructure that is included in the Project.

Could FDOT please review this video with the construction supervisor? The opening was very small and made it dangerous for transit and other vehicles to commute through. <https://share.icloud.com/photos/0e9SYXOyeddGKNUKD9FRgUn0Q>
Response: Thank you for the video. We see the point regarding the size of the delineator opening and will consider removing additional delineators to accommodate larger vehicles for future closures in the area.