March 14, 2012

Kenneth A. Jessell, Ph.D.
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Finance and Administration
Florida International University
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Subject: Florida International University FY 2012 TIGER Discretionary Grant Submittal “University City Prosperity Project”

Dear Mr. Jessell:

The purpose of this letter is to inform Florida International University (University) that the Florida Department of Transportation (Department) has programmed improvements in the immediate vicinity of the University’s Fiscal Year 2012 TIGER Discretionary Grant submittal entitled “University City Prosperity Project”. There are two projects programmed along SW 107 Avenue from SW 12 Street to Flagler Street in Miami-Dade County.

Project 412479-3-52-01 runs along SW 107 Avenue, from SW 12 Street to SW 4 Street. As part of this project, SW 107 Avenue from SW 8 Street to SW 12 Street will be widened to accommodate dual left turn lanes for the northbound traffic of SW 107 Avenue turning west to SW 8 Street. There will also be dual left turn lanes on SW 107 Avenue southbound turning east to SW 8 Street. In addition, a new bridge over the C-4 canal will be constructed. SW 107 Avenue will be widened from four lanes to six lanes from SW 8 Street to Flagler. Part of the widening, from SW 8 Street to SW 4 Street, is covered under project 412479-3-52-01, and is scheduled for construction in 2016. The other part of the corridor widening, from SW 4 Street to Flagler Street, will be constructed under project 412479-2-52-01 and is tentatively scheduled for construction in 2017. Please see attached for a graphical representation of this project.

With respect to US-41/Tamiami Trail at SW 109 Avenue, Department staff is currently evaluating this intersection to determine if there are any safety or operational deficiencies at this location. If any concerns are identified then the study will recommend countermeasures that can be implemented to address the concerns, as well as facilitate the movement of pedestrians between the University and Sweetwater. I will keep you advised of study results, and should the study identify project improvements, they will be implemented in coordination with the MPO, the University and the City of Sweetwater.
Thank you for your ongoing cooperation in this partnership to improve transportation linkages within the City of Sweetwater. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 305-470-5464 or Harold.desdunes@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Harold Desdunes, P.E.
District Director of Transportation Development

c:
The Honorable Manuel L. Moroño, Mayor, City of Sweetwater
Robert Herrada, City of Sweetwater
Steve Sauls, Vice President Government Relations, FIU, PC 519
Tom Gustafson, Director of Government and Transportation Policy, FIU, PC 525
Gus Pego, P.E., District Secretary
Debora Rivera, P.E., Director of Transportation Operations
Alleen Boucle, AICP, Intermodal Systems Planning Administrator
Phil Steinmiller, Planning Office
Heidi Solaun-Dominguez, P.E., FDOT Project Manager

Attachment
Good afternoon,

As requested, please find the link below to the FDOT Five Year Work Program website. You can use the Search Item Number option for Projects 412479-2 and 412479-3 and then click on the highlighted project # to see funds programmed by fiscal year.

http://www2.dot.state.fl.us/fmsupportapps/workprogram/WorkProgram.aspx

Please let us know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thanks.

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Very important information from FDOT Secretary concerning this link.

Major Projects Information.

This web site should not be used for detail analysis of funding information. Please contact the Office of Work Program and Budget.

Downloadable version of the Department's Five Year Work Program

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Lisa Saliba - Director

### Five Year Work Program

2012-2017 01  
(Updated: 2/15/2012, 21/15/01)

**All in State**  
**Item Number:** 412479-3

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#### Project Summary

**Transportation System:** NON-INTRASTATE STATE HIGHWAY  
**District:** 06 - Miami-Dade County  
**Description:** Sr 685/Sw 107 Avenue From Sw 12 Street To Sw 4 Street  
**Type of Work:** ADD LANE & REHABILITATE PV/MNT  
**Item Number:** 412479-3  
**Length:** 0.472

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