

Independent Transportation Surtax Oversight Board

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Monica Cepero, County Administrator
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Dear County Administrator Cepero:

The Independent Transportation Surtax Oversight Board (Oversight Board) met on October 25, 2024, where members received presentations on and discussed the County's bus advertising program, transit marketing campaigns, and planned performance audit of the surtax program. No formal actions were taken at the meeting.

While discussing the potential scope for a performance audit of the surtax program, several members of the Oversight Board expressed a desire to see a greater priority placed on traffic signalization and synchronization projects. We believe relieving traffic congestion was a primary goal of the program presented to the voters and established as a priority in the County's transportation surtax legal documents.

A number of members present expressed that congestion management investments should take greater precedence in the County's overall surtax program. It is the desire of the Oversight Board for the County to maximize its coordination and efforts related to traffic signalization and assure metrics are established and reported when strategies are deployed (e.g., adaptive traffic signal control devices).

The Oversight Board requested the Office of the County Auditor research and recommend best practices for evaluating performance of congestion relief tools and initiatives as part of its performance audit. The members also requested an update from Broward County's Traffic Engineering Division as part of the agenda for the December 11, 2024, Oversight Board Workshop.

On behalf of my colleagues, we appreciate the opportunity to serve the community in our capacity.

Sincerely,



C. Douglas Coolman, Chair

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