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NEWSLETTER & MEETING AGENDA

Monday August 8, 2007

6:30 – 8:00pm

...at The Seymour, 945 Pennsylvania Avenue, Miami Beach

Agenda

1 Welcome and Introductions

2 Guest Speaker: FDOT/Kimberly Horn will host a Power Point presentation on the latest alternatives out of the Alton Road PD&E, and answer questions from the public.

3 Public Forum: ART is issuing an open invitation to all commission and mayoral candidates—and to current elected officials as well—to attend this month's meeting as ART asks: *Miami Beach is a barrier island with the highest density south of Manhattan, and for 5 years the Alliance for Reliable Transport has called for transit improvements such as streetcars, local circulators, and alternatives such as bike paths and car-share systems: Given that auto traffic on the Beach keeps increasing and parking is limited, if elected, what is your vision for the development of additional public transit systems?*

Poor or reactive urban planning means that:

- The average automobile commuter now spends 48 hours a year snarled in traffic—and that statistic daily grows worse!
- “Hybrid bus” costs are rising exorbitantly and their upkeep is difficult and expensive—plus they add to traffic congestion more than relieve it!
- Miami Beach's autocentricity results in high speed limits, long traffic light headways, and large intersections—and small, awkward, nonexistent or useless sidewalks—which forces pedestrians to take their lives in their hands just crossing the street!

The question is simple.

Do we want this. ?



..or this?



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4 Old/New Business

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The Alliance for Reliable Transport was formed in 2003 by Miami Beach residents who share an interest in improving public transportation. Meetings are open to the public.