



City of Largo Agenda Item 2

Meeting Date
10/09/18

Presenter: Barry Westmark, P.E., Senior Engineer

Department: EN – Engineering Services

TITLE:

PINELLAS COUNTY WEST BAY DRIVE COMPLETE STREETS CONCEPT PLAN UPDATE

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the City Commission on a West Bay Drive Complete Streets Concept Plan under development by Pinellas County. The Plan considers multimodal improvements to West Bay Drive from the Belleair Causeway Bridge to Clearwater-Largo Road and builds on the Complete Streets Pilot Study concepts presented to the City Commission by Forward Pinellas at the January 2018 Work Session.

Pinellas County hosted a joint agency meeting in August, led by Pinellas County staff and their consultant, Kimley-Horn to discuss the Concept Plan. Representatives from Forward Pinellas, the City of Belleair Bluffs, the City of Belleair Beach, and City of Largo Community Development and Engineering were in attendance. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss potential multimodal improvements to be coordinated with upcoming roadway resurfacing. Pinellas County staff created four segments with distinct characteristics that influence multimodal design for each segment:

- Belleair Causeway Bridge to Indian Rocks Road
- Indian Rocks Road to 20th St NW
- 20th St NW to Pinellas Trail
- Pinellas Trail to Clearwater-Largo Road.

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Budgeted Amount: \$0.00 Budget Page No(s): Available Amount: \$0.00 Expenditure Amount: \$0.00

Additional Budgetary Information: N/A

Funding Source(s): N/A Sufficient Funds Available: Yes No Budget Amendment Required: Yes No Source: N/A

City Attorney Reviewed: Yes No N/A Advisory Board Recommendation: For Against N/A Consistent With: Yes No N/A Strategic Plan

Potential Motion/ Direction Requested: DOES THE CITY COMMISSION CONCUR WITH TRAVEL LANE WIDTHS BEING NO LESS THAN 11 FEET? DOES THE COMMISSION CONCUR WITH THE CREATION OF BICYCLE LANES ADJACENT TO TRAFFIC OR ON A DEDICATED PATH?

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Concepts discussed at this meeting included:

- traffic calming to reduce average motorist speed to the 35 mph posted speed limit
- a recommendation that lane widths be no less than 11 ft
- consideration of safety benefits for bicycle lanes adjacent to traffic or on a dedicated path
- agreement on considering landscaped medians in coordination with businesses.

Kimley-Horn is scheduled to prepare two design concepts per segment for the corridor, which will be included in a report to be produced in November 2018. Two additional agency meetings are planned, and Pinellas County has requested that the City of Largo provide feedback on the design process.