

BOARD MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 04, 2004

1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

1. **CONSIDERATIONS IN LANDSCAPING US 41 IN UNINCORPORATED LEE COUNTY**
PRESENTER: Scott Gilbertson, DOT
Paul Wingard, DOT
TIME REQUIRED: 15 Minutes

2. **LANDSCAPING FUNDS PROGRAM (ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 11-08)**
PRESENTER: Scott Gilbertson, DOT
Paul Wingard, DOT
TIME REQUIRED: 15 Minutes

3. **BURNT STORE ROAD PROPERTY ACQUISITION/EXPRESSWAY CORRIDOR STUDY**
PRESENTER: Scott Gilbertson, DOT
Nicole Maxey, DOT
TIME REQUIRED: 15 Minutes

BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

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**MANAGEMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
AGENDA REQUEST FORM
COMMISSION DISTRICT #All**

PRESENTED BY: Scott M. Gilbertson, P.E., Director, DOT **REQUESTED BY:** Roadway Landscape Advisory Committee & DOT
Paul W. Wingard, P.E., Deputy Director, DOT

TITLE OF ITEM FOR THE AGENDA: Considerations in landscaping U.S. 41 in unincorporated Lee County.

1. DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ISSUE:

The character of the U.S. 41 corridor in Lee County probably makes it the single most economically important roadway within the County. In the preparation to develop core level landscape plans for this roadway, we identified certain constraints, issues, and opportunities that will impact the design, and should be addressed.

2. PROPOSE POLICY, PROCEDURE OR PLAN OF ACTION:

Present the identified issues to the committee. Discuss the issues and recommended options with the committee. Determine how the committee would like to proceed with the enhancement of this major roadway corridor. Obtain the committee's support, and enlist its leadership and political influence in addressing the issues associated with this project.

3. OPTIONS (List advantages/Disadvantages of Each Option Listed)

Option 1: Landscape medians with core level plantings.

Option 2: Landscape medians with core level landscaping. Develop a master plan to address the roadside issues such as: drainage swales or open ditch drainage; alternate modes of transportation (bike/ped., bus); utilities; frontage roads; businesses; signage; possible community redevelopment districts. This option was recommended by the RLAC.

Advantages: This will be the quickest path to begin landscaping. The master plan would address the roadside issues in a cohesive manner.

Disadvantages: State roadway jurisdiction and requirements. Median landscaping dealt with separately, and not fully considered in planning process for roadside improvements.

Option 3: Create a master plan for U.S. 41 and initiate north and south roadside demonstration projects.

Advantages: From a planning standpoint, this option is the most practical. The master plan would be able to tie the median and roadside landscaping together in the planning process. Example US 192 in Kissimmee.

Disadvantages: State roadway jurisdiction and requirements. Delays implementation of median landscaping.

4. FINANCIAL IMPACTS/FUNDING SOURCE:

Preliminary Cost Estimates:

- a) Option 1: core level landscaping medians only (23 mi.): \$9 million.
 - b) *Option 2: core level landscaping medians only (23 mi.), \$9 million. And currently prepare a Master plan, \$500K. Once Master Plan is developed, review other funding sources for implementation of the Plan.
 - c) *Option 3: Prepare Master plan, \$500K. Concurrently install two demonstrations projects, explore additional funding sources, secure public support.
- * Options 2 and 3 require additional funding sources.

5. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff supports the RLAC's recommendation of option 2, with the addition of the two demonstration projects suggested in option three.

6. Mandated: Y N X BY WHAT AUTHORITY:

<u>DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR SIGNATURE</u>	<u>COUNTY MANAGER SIGNATURE</u>	<u>MEETING DATE</u>	<u>TIME REQUIRED</u>
<i>Scott M. Gilbertson 9/22/04</i>	<i>[Signature] 9/22/04</i>	10/4/04	15 minutes

**MANAGEMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
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PRESENTED BY: Scott M. Gilbertson, P.E., Director, DOT
Paul W. Wingard, P.E., Deputy Director, DOT

REQUESTED BY: BoCC

TITLE OF ITEM FOR THE AGENDA: Landscaping Funds Program (Administrative Code 11-08)

1. DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ISSUE:

Discuss past uses, along with current and future suitability of program within the County's scope of services.

2. PROPOSE POLICY, PROCEDURE OR PLAN OF ACTION:

This program was created by the BoCC when it approved administrative code 14-01 on 8/24/88. At that time, it was managed by the Division of Planning and Construction. During this initial period, the program was suitable for funding a broader range of public projects, which included County buildings, libraries, and parks facilities. The program was turned over to DOT, because it was being used primarily to fund landscaping projects on roadways. On 11/9/94, the BoCC approved an amendment to the program, which exists today in its current form. The amendment narrowed the program's scope to landscaping roadways, which best suited DOT's role as administrator of the program. As an example, DOT has utilized the program to work with such entities as follows:

- a) GreensCape and the City of Cape Coral, \$355,000 to landscape Cape Coral Pkwy., Del Prado Blvd. and Hancock Bridge Pkwy.
- b) Bonita Springs Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., \$12,000 to landscape Bonita Beach Rd.
- c) Siesta Isles Property & Homeowners Assoc., \$6,000 for landscaping the median of Siesta Dr.
- d) Villages of Country Creek Master Association, \$15,000 to landscape approx. 1600' of roadside frontage along Corkscrew Road.
- e) Bonita Beach Improvement Association, \$4,550 for coconut palms along Hickory Blvd.
- f) Villas Homeowners Association, \$3,549 for landscaping the medians on Woodland Blvd.
- g) Tanglewood Residents Association, \$10,000 for landscaping entryways on Brentwood Pkwy. and Tanglewood Pkwy.

3. OPTIONS (List advantages/Disadvantages of Each Option Listed)

- a) Continue the program.

Advantages: provides funding for small roadway landscaping projects that otherwise may not qualify for roadway landscape.

Disadvantages: funding may be utilized on other priorities.

- b) Discontinue the program.

Advantages: frees up funding for other projects.

Disadvantages: eliminates a funding source for landscaping certain roadways classified as major collectors and all minor collector and local roadways.

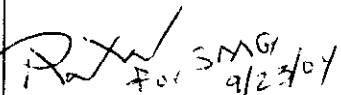
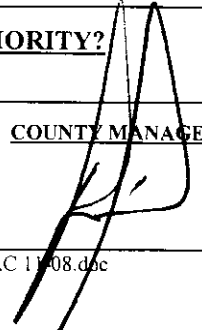
4. FINANCIAL IMPACTS/FUNDING SOURCE:

None. \$100,000 in funding is currently programmed in the 5 year CIP.

5. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

Continue the program. The program provides financial support to help improve the appearance of roadways within the County. Without the program, none of the local streets or minor collector roadways would have a source of revenue for these improvements.

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	 9/23/04	10-4-04	15 Minutes

MANAGEMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE
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 COMMISSION DISTRICT #

PRESENTED BY: Scott M. Gilbertson and Nicole Maxey/Department of Transportation

REQUESTED BY: Staff

TITLE OF ITEM FOR THE AGENDA:

BURNT STORE ROAD PROPERTY ACQUISITION / EXPRESSWAY CORRIDOR STUDY

1. DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVE OF THE ISSUE

The Department of Transportation and County Lands have been successful in acquiring through voluntary acquisition only 4 of the 122 properties targeted for road widening along Burnt Store Road. In order to proceed to condemnation, design plans and right-of-way maps are needed. DOT proposes to use the remainder of the allocated money for design of the section from Pine Island Road to Diplomat Parkway.

2. PROPOSE POLICY, PROCEDURE OR PLAN OF ACTION

Request Board discuss the use of the remaining funds for the development of construction plans and right-of-way maps necessary to start condemnation proceedings.

3. OPTIONS (List advantages/Disadvantages of Each Option Listed)

At this time the County has exhausted all voluntary acquisition opportunities for the lots on the east side of Burnt Store Road. In order to acquire any more lots we will need to proceed to condemnation. In order to file for condemnation proceedings, design and right-of-way maps are necessary. Use of the existing money earmarked for right-of-way acquisition to start the design would allow use to move forward with the project at this time.

Design would further evaluate 260' versus 355' right-of-way width / cross section options and DOT would bring recommendations to the BOCC for concurrence and adoption.

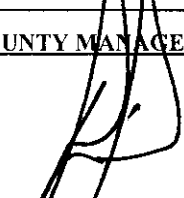
4. FINANCIAL IMPACTS/FUNDING SOURCE

The funding already exists in an established Capital Improvement Project (#4088).

5. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, AND JUSTIFICATION FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends the use of the remaining funds for design of the necessary road improvements.

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