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Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 1:58 PM

To: Wagley, David

Subject: RE: W/E 17th St Sidewalk Request

Hello this is Karen Compton Jeff and I are unavailable to be there today due to a family emergency I still am requesting to have the sidewalk I have spoke to people and the neighborhood they are all in agreeance about the idea of having a sidewalk one was a teenager who said he goes to Riverdale and has to walk down to the corner of 17th and Richmond to catch the bus he said he would feel so much safer with sidewalk that the cars just fly by him and he has to walk up by the shrubs to get a far away from the road others were parents with small children who would love to be able to take their children on the sidewalk to ride their bike safely unfortunately no one was able to come to the meeting they are all young couples and have children to pick up at the bus stop but I do still feel the need is very important also this new thing that I have learned will definitely increase the traffic on the road I know there is a new school that already had its groundbreaking that is going up off of joel just a few miles away and in addition a water park so it is obvious that this road 17 East 2 17 West will become a high traffic area the problem already is, it is a straight Road which increases speed, no speed bumps and no stop signs between Sunshine all the way to Richmond we still support the request to have the sidewalk

Mr. Wagley:

Thank you working with me on this official request for a sidewalk or a shared use path adjacent to Old Gladiolus in south Ft. Myers.

- As a safety hazard currently exists, this is an official request to complete a sidewalk or a shared use path on the South side of Old Gladiolus
- presently the residents of Royal Palm Village Condo Association, Pine Meadows apartments and Parkside Condo Association are forced to walk in the street or the narrow shoulder to access Lakes Park on the west or the businesses along US 41 on the east
- this is primarily an unlit street with frequent pedestrian usage to Lakes Park, US 41, bus stop on US 41 and Wal-Mart
- the estimated distance for the proposed sidewalk/shared use path is .2 of a mile
- phase #1 could be the sidewalk/shared use path from RPV to the small stream
- phase #2 could be the construction of a bridge over the stream and connect with the existing sidewalk adjacent to the Parkside condos
- the link below represents aerial photos of this area (blue lines represent approximate existing sidewalks; red lines represent proposed); I would like to project these photos.

Rod Pickett, president of our RPV condo association, will also attend this committee meeting; please add our request to the agenda for the **March 15** meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Subject: RE: Making a safer path along Plantation Rd

Good morning Ms. Crowder,

Per our conversation, District staff will be go over several projects that will be considered for the FDOT SRTS grants and Plantation Rd will be included. Five projects can be submitted through this type of grant and funds are limited.

Some of the criteria we will be looking at to determine which five projects to submit is as follows:

- The number of students impacted (this number is based on students within the District as we have no access to private school student addresses)
- If this corrects hazardous walking for students who use or could potential utilize the proposed sidewalk
- Due to the limited funds with this grant, we have to consider which five fit into this budget
- If there is enough right of way that doesn't need to be obtained
- Drainage issues (if drainage needs to be installed, this increases the price substantially)

These are just a few key items we look at when considering which applications to submit, regardless, this road is definitely in need of sidewalks and we will take a very through look at this project.

Staff will be meeting to discuss projects in the next few weeks and then meeting with each local government to determine which projects to submit.

Thank you for your concern and I will keep in touch as we move through the process.

Sincerely,

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