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POINT PAPER

Application for MPO Funding June 16, 2007

Problem: City Commission authorization is required for staff to make grant application

Background: This spring the Mayor and City Commission hosted a variety of community meetings throughout the City. This feedback, as well as concerns voiced by the residents at other times, indicates a community interest in the City installing crosswalks at certain locations to enhance safety.

The MPO has transportation enhancement funding available. These are matching funds, and can be utilized for “the provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles.”

Staff is recommending installation of the crosswalks at the following locations:

- 4 crosswalks at 7th St W and 10th Ave W.
(To accommodate the Elementary School and parks)
- 2 crosswalks at 10th Ave W near 13th St W.
(To accommodate Palmetto Mobile Home Park crossing)
- 2 crosswalks at the 7th St W and 5th Ave W
(To accommodate Jet Mobile Home Park to Sweetbay, etc.)
- 1 crosswalk at the Manatee School for the Arts
(To accommodate crossing Haben Blvd to the bus stop)

The preliminary cost estimate is \$10 per square feet for the imprinted crosswalks, although bids will be sought if funding is awarded. Total square footage is 2,682 square feet.

Alternatives:

1. Approve motion to endorse the application for funding, as a top priority for Transportation Enhancement Funding for the City of Palmetto.
2. Deny request to submit funding

Recommendation: Alternative #1

Budget Impact: \$26,820 (half of which, \$13,410, to be paid by the CRA in Fiscal Year 2009 Budget)