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# City of Palmetto Agenda Item

**Meeting Date**

11/19/2012

**Presenter:** Allen R. Tusing

**Department:** Public Works/Parks

**Title: Traffic Regulation**

**8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive West from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street change from one way to two way.**

8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive West was changed to a one way from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street during the newest section of Palmetto Elementary being built. This was to keep the kindergarten students safe during the drop off and pick up times. Two way traffic would have been very confusing and dangerous for the students. With the old school being relocated and the building demolished, the one way is no longer needed. To revert this roadway to two way traffic is very beneficial to the businesses that are along this roadway. In addition, anyone wanting to visit these businesses from the west will no longer be forced onto 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue to make a left into the business, which again, will make their trip safer.

**Budgeted Amount:** \$0      **Budget Page No(s):**      **Available Amount:**      **Expenditure Amount:**

**Additional Budgetary Information:** Other than staff labor, there will be no budgetary needs.

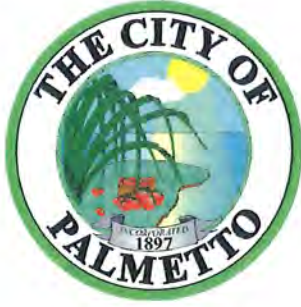
**Funding Source(s):**      **Sufficient Funds Available:**  Yes  No      **Budget Amendment Required:**  Yes  No      **Source:**

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

**Potential Motion/ Direction Requested:** Motion to approve the traffic regulation changing 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive West from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street from one way to two way and creating a 3 way stop at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive and 8<sup>th</sup> Street and prohibiting parking on the west side of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Drive from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Staff Contact:** Allen R. Tusing      [atusing@palmettofl.org](mailto:atusing@palmettofl.org)      941-723-4580 or 941-737-0282

**Attachments:** Aerial of avenue with changes, traffic regulation and letter sent to each property adjacent to this roadway.



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October 26, 2012

Re: Change in 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Dr West from 8<sup>th</sup> St to 7<sup>th</sup> St from one way to two way

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Palmetto is proposing to make a change on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave Dr West from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

With Palmetto Elementary being removed the necessity of having this section of roadway as a One Way Street is no longer needed. We feel that changing it to a two street can be beneficial to the businesses that are along this roadway.

The City Commission will hear this action at a Public Hearing on November 19, 2012 at 7:00 PM or soon thereafter. If you would like to speak for or against this action I would recommend that you attend this meeting.

If you have any questions, or require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (941) 723- 4580 or [atusing@palmettofl.org](mailto:atusing@palmettofl.org) .

Sincerely,

Allen R. Tusing, Director  
Public Works Department

Attch: Aerial of 8<sup>th</sup> Ave Drive and Proposed Changes.  
Traffic Regulation

cc: Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor

CHANGE SOUTH END (BUSH TRST) FROM ONE WAY TO TWO WAY



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## TRAFFIC REGULATION

DATE October 26, 2012

TYPE OF CHANGE  MINOR  MAJOR

### REASON FOR REGULATION

8th Ave Drive was changed to a one way from 8th Street to 7th Street to create a safe environment for the younger children at Palmetto Elementary during drop off and pick up by the parents. With the School being moved and demolished this need is no longer warranted

### TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN INFORMATION

8th Ave Drive is a street that serves several businesses along 8th Avenue. With the Southern portion of 8th Ave being a one way to the south customers that would use these businesses are forced to travel on 8th Ave and make left turns into the business.

### AREA OF REGULATION CHARACTER & POPULATION INFORMATION

8th Ave is a heavily traveled roadway and making left turns are sometimes dangerous and causes traffic to back up. The businesses along the area of 8th Ave Dr. can have access that is less congested by creating a two way street at the rear of these businesses.

### REGULATION

Remove the one way designation of 8th Avenue Drive West from 7th Street to 8th Street. This action will remove arrows, a stop bar and signage at 7th St and 8th Ave Dr. It will also include the installation of a stop sign and stop bar at 8th St to create a 3 way stop to create a safe roadway. In addition no parking signs will be placed along the West side of the Avenue from 8th St to 9th Street again to maintain a safe roadway and to keep the sidewalk clear.

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This regulation has been posted on the community board at City Hall and on the City's Web Page (palmettofl.org) for a minimum of (7) seven days prior to the \_\_\_\_\_ City Commission meeting and shall become effective following the meeting unless it is called up for consideration by (2) two members of the City Commission.

Approved:  Date: 11/2/2012  
Traffic Engineer

Approved:  Date: 11/05/12  
Police Chief

This regulation is effective without affirmative action of the City Commission and is in accordance with the Code of Ordinance of the City of Palmetto Article II Section 28

Attest by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk