

City of Gainesville

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Meeting Agenda - Final

October 30, 2012

6:00 PM

City Commission Workshop

A. Quinn Jones Center, 1108 NW 7th Avenue, Gainesville, FL

City Commission

*Mayor Craig Lowe (At Large)
Mayor-Commissioner Pro-Tem Lauren Poe (At Large)
Commissioner Thomas Hawkins (At Large)
Commissioner Yvonne Hinson-Rawls (District 1)
Commissioner Todd Chase (District 2)
Commissioner Susan Bottcher (District 3)
Commissioner Randy Wells (District 4)*

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CALL TO ORDER**AGENDA STATEMENT****ROLL CALL****MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION**[120521.](#)**NW 8th Avenue Project (B)**

This item is to provide a presentation and obtain public input on the NW 8 Avenue Project.

Explanation: The FY09-13 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) included \$3,640,000 for NW 8th Avenue from 4100 block to NW 6th Street. NW 8 Avenue was identified as the top priority major roadway resurfacing need in the Transportation Improvement Plan adopted by the City Commission in 2008. The pavement condition has deteriorated from an average Pavement Condition Index in the 70's to the 50's - 60's; with one section as low as 27. Some segments of the roadway have deteriorated base conditions that will require rehabilitation of the base as well as new pavement surface.

Because a pavement management project removes existing striping patterns, it is an opportunity to reconsider lane configuration. Several policies in the City's Comprehensive Plan as well as the MTPO's Regional Transportation Goals encourage development of a multimodal transportation network; in particular the Urban Design Element Policy 3.1.6 states that "In general, physical improvements undertaken by the City shall be designed to encourage travel by transit, foot, bicycle, as well as the car...." In consideration of whether we could achieve these goals/objectives with the NW 8 Avenue project, public input from residents and advisory committees was sought. Staff attended neighborhood meetings and conducted a public meeting specifically to discuss alternative lane configurations along NW 8 Avenue.

Several alternatives have been considered from retaining the current lane configurations through all segments to reallocating existing travel lanes and parking bays to on-street bike lanes. The project is divided into three primary segments; Segment A from NW 40 Drive to NW 34 Street; Segment B from NW 34 Street to NW 23 Street; and Segment C from NW 23 Street to NW 6 Street. Each segment has multiple alternatives for consideration and will be described in the presentation. The as-is alternative which is to provide the pavement management work required and to stripe with the current lane configurations is estimated at \$2,535,840. For illustrative purposes only, the most expensive combination of alternatives is estimated at \$3,583,960; this

would include an elevated off-street multi-use trail in addition to on-street bike lanes between NW 34 Street and NW 23 Street.

Fiscal Note: Funding in the amount of \$3,200,000 is available in the CIP for construction using local option gas tax funds.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Commission: 1) hear a presentation; and
2) receive public input.

[120521 Presentation 20121030.pdf](#)

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