



Legislation Text

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Northwest 5th Avenue Streetscape Project (B)

The Fifth Avenue Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board has been working on a streetscape concept for the Northwest 5th Avenue corridor for several months and the CRA adopted the design concept at their August 2004 meeting. Two Phases of the project have already been approved and funded, conduit work between Northwest 12th Street and Northwest 13th Street, to be done in conjunction with the Northwest 13th Street lighting project, and the relocation of the regulator bank from Northwest 10th Street and Northwest 5th Avenue, which has been completed.

The third Phase of the project would be streetscaping between Northwest 6th Street and Northwest 3rd Street. This work would be done in conjunction with the new Santa Fe Community College building in order to take advantage of their construction efforts. The estimated cost of this section of the streetscape is \$500,000.

In order to fund this phase of the streetscape project, the FAPS Board recommended that \$200,000 be moved from the Model Block project funds to the Northwest 5th Avenue streetscape and the Advisory Board asked the CRA to request the City Commission to fund the remainder with \$300,000 in UDAG funds. This is a key project for the FAPS district and would be an acceptable use of both UDAG and bond funds.

The Advisory Board discussed this item at their meeting on December 14, 2004. The meeting was cut short so that Board Members could attend the Santa Fe Community College meeting. The Advisory Board would like an opportunity to discuss the location for the next phase of the streetscaping based on the results of the SFCC meeting. The FAPS Board will meet again on January 25, 2005.

The CRA heard the FAPS recommendation at their December 20, 2004 meeting and voted to transfer the funds from the Model Block to the Streetscape project and voted to move the second part of the recommendation forward to the City Commission.

The project could be funded by a combination of bond funds currently targeted for the Model Block Project and UDAG funds from the City of Gainesville.

CRA to the City Commission: 1) Request the City Commission approve use of \$300,000 from the UDAG funds for the next phase of the project.