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The Infinity Line (B)

This item is in response to a request at the October 20, 2020 GCRA Advisory Board Meeting for a status update and presentation on the Infinity Line. At the Board's request, agenda item #190856 was previously presented at the January 21, 2020 GCRA Advisory Board meeting and is included as back-up to this item.

In an effort to revisit this conversation and provide clarity, the Infinity Line is not currently overseen by any specific department and is a conceptual idea developed by Dan Gil, current GCRA Project Manager, as a University of Florida student in 2017.

Additionally, the Infinity Line crosses city, county and GCRA District lines and local and state roadways. Only a portion of the proposed project is located within the District as part of the NE 16th Avenue Trail. The January 21, 2020 presentation gave a detailed explanation of the project, including a visual representation of what aspects of the Infinity Line fall under which jurisdiction. A partnership with other city departments, local/state entities and funding sources are necessary if the Advisory Board, and eventually, the City Commission, desire to see this concept realized.

Since the Infinity Line has become a project of interest for the GCRA Advisory Board, Staff met with Leadership to discuss how this series of discrete projects could be addressed. At today's meeting Staff recommends the Board discuss the project and, in the context of the discussion, contemplate if the GCRA portion of the Infinity Line creates a benefit for the District neighbors "en masse" or just a few, and does the Infinity Line create a value for the Eastside and move the Consolidated Plan forward?

If the will of the Advisory Board is for GCRA to move towards incorporating this conceptual project into its priorities, GCRA will return to the Board with an analysis of where the funding could come from and how it might be incorporated into the Reinvestment Roadmap for consideration.

None

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GCRA Director to GCRA Advisory Board: Discuss the Infinity Line and provide feedback to GCRA Staff

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