



Legislation Text

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Approval of Resolution and Granting of a Pedestrian Trail Easement to the Florida Department of Transportation (B)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is constructing a pedestrian trail from 91st Street and Archer Road west to the SR 45 in the City of Archer and they require an easement on City property to complete the project.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has secured Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds to facilitate the construction of a pedestrian trail along Archer Road beginning at SR 45 in the City of Archer and extending east to SW 91st Street. FDOT will construct the trail parallel to the City's utility corridor along Archer Road. The City's utility corridor runs within the old CSX Right-of-Way in this area. In order to facilitate the project, FDOT has requested that the City grant a 20' wide easement along the northern border of the utility corridor beginning in the 15000 block of Archer Road extending west to the City of Archer.

Staff has reviewed this request and has no objections to the granting of the easement. There are currently no City of Gainesville utilities located in the area of the utility corridor. Further, the location of the easement would allow for the City to utilize the remaining area of the corridor to the south of the easement, with minimal disruption of the trail.

The City Commission: 1) adopt a Resolution, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality, granting FDOT an easement on City of Gainesville property in the 15000 block of SW Archer Road; and 2) authorize the Mayor to execute said Resolution and associated Pedestrian Trail Easement, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

There will be no fiscal impact to the City.

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