EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM: Jim Bouquet, P.E., Director of Engineering

George Wallace, Assistant City Attorney

DATE: December 4, 2017

RE: Right-of-Way Conveyance to Facilitate HAWK Pedestrian Signal

Installation along North Roosevelt Boulevard FDOT Project Identification Number: 250548-7

ACTION STATEMENT:

Authorize execution of legal documents including Quit Claim Deed for the Florida Department of Transportation to acquire necessary right-of-way for installation of High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) pedestrian beacons at two locations within Parcel 169 along State Road No. 5 North Roosevelt Boulevard.

BACKGROUND:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is currently designing installation of HAWK beacons at five locations along North Roosevelt Boulevard. Two of these locations (Capital Bank and 24 North) are within Parcel 169. However, FDOT reportedly has no record of acquiring Parcel 169 as right-of-way (ROW) during recent reconstruction of North Roosevelt Boulevard. Parcel 169 consists of two segments, one located at the southwest corner of the intersection with Palm Avenue, the other along the north side of North Roosevelt Boulevard commencing west of 14th Street and continuing east to approximately opposite the Gates Hotel (the "Promenade").

A parcel map and proposed Quit Claim Deed are attached. City staff have reviewed the requested deed and recommend approval to facilitate installation of the HAWK beacons.

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

Execution of a Quit Claim Deed for Parcel 169 will provide necessary right-of-way for installation of HAWK beacons at two locations as requested by City Commission

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(Resolution 17-129). Additionally, execution of this deed will formally transfer liability and maintenance responsibility of the sidewalk (promenade) and seawall to FDOT.

Approval of this quit claim deed and subsequent installation of HAWK beacons along North Roosevelt Boulevard are consistent with Key West Strategic Plan Infrastructure Goal #1: A transportation system which is aesthetically attractive, functional, efficient, safe and environmentally sensitive.

The quit-claim deed is provided pursuant to Section 7.03(a) of the Charter of the City of Key West

FINANCIAL ISSUES

City funds are not required for approval of these ROW documents.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends authorizing execution of legal documents including a quit claim deed for Florida Department of Transportation to acquire necessary right-of-way for installation of HAWK beacons along North Roosevelt Boulevard.