

RESOLUTION NO 06-073

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF TWO FEET OF THE BRIDLE PATH AND TWO FEET OF THE PROMENADE IN ORDER TO EXPAND EXISTING TRAVEL LANES ALONG SOUTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS


Section 1 That the use of two feet of the Bridle Path and two feet of the Promenade is hereby authorized in order to expand existing travel lanes

Section 2 That this Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission

Passed and adopted by the City Commission at a meeting held this 22 day of February, 2006

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the Commission on February 23, 2006


Filed with the Clerk February 23, 2006


MORGAN MCPHERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST

CHERYL SMITH, CITY CLERK



To. Julio Avel, City Manager
From Roland Flowers, P E , and City Engineer 
Date February 14, 2006
Subject Resolution authorizing the use of up to 2' of the bridle path and 2 feet of the promenade for reconstruction of South Roosevelt Boulevard

ACTION STATEMENT

Approve the use of up to 2 feet of the Bridle path and 2 feet of the promenade on South Roosevelt Boulevard to expand the existing travel lanes

STRATEGIC PLAN/BUSINESS PLAN

The City's strategic plan has two elements that are addressed by reconstructing South Roosevelt Boulevard The infrastructure and Mobility components with Key Intended Outcomes of improving our city's ADA accessibility, improving the safety our city sidewalks and streets thereby lowering number of lawsuits against the city and increased bicycle and pedestrian usage

BACKGROUND

The City of Key West and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) are in the final planning stages for the South Roosevelt Project FDOT plans are complete and their project is currently under construction At issue is the required width needed to construct the proposed typical section In order to have the required width for a new four lane road, one parking lane with new curbs and gutters on South Roosevelt Boulevard, an additional four feet of right-of-way is needed To acquire the extra footage Engineering Services and the City's consultant (Sanchez-Zeinali & Associates) are recommending using 2 feet of the Bridle path and 2 feet of the promenade On February 10, 2006 I hosted a community meeting in conjunction with the City's' consultant to review the proposal with the residents and businesses along the affected corrdor as well as any interested parties Approximately 70 people attended the meeting including Commissioner Kohlage and Assistant City Manager John Jones and the general consensus was that using 2 feet of the bridle path and 2 feet of the promenade to obtain the necessary road widths was not an issue Three other items the City's' consultant has been directed to review, as a result of the meeting, are the geometry and safety at the intersection of A1A and Bertha Street, the possibility of crosswalks at Key West by the Sea and Sheraton Suites and traffic calming devices

Options

- 1 Maintain the existing full width of the promenade (approximately 18') This will require that the location of the curb and gutter for the South bound lanes be moved up to 4' to the North

Advantages/Disadvantages

- 1 Cutting back the bridle path will keep the promenade at its existing 18' width, reducing any safety problems with pedestrians, bicyclists, joggers and roller bladders
 - 2 The disadvantage is it will impact a lot of trees on the North side of the road and it will bring the remaining trees closer to the edge of pavement
- 2 Leave the curb and gutter on the North side of the South bound lanes in its existing location (City's right-of-way) and reducing the width of the promenade between 2' and 4' to fit the proposed typical section. The width of the new promenade will be about 14' to 16' wide

Advantages/Disadvantages

- 1 This will have no impact to the existing trees on the North side of the road
- 2 The disadvantage is this will change the width of the promenade from 18' to between 14' and 16'

- 3 Provide a 16' wide promenade to match the project north of our section. This will require the location of the curb and gutter for the South bound lanes be moved about 2' to the North towards the bridle path

Advantages/Disadvantages

- 1 The expected impact to the trees on the West side of the street will be minimal. Any trees impacted will be relocated
- 2 The disadvantage is the promenade will be reduced up to 2 feet in width

Financial Issues

There are no financial issues. The South Roosevelt Project if funded with a Local Agency Program (LAP) agreement through the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)

Recommendation

Option 3 authorizing the use of up to 2' of the bridle path and 2 feet of the promenade for reconstruction of South Roosevelt Boulevard