



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager
E. David Fernandez, Asst. City Manager- Operations

FROM: Jay Gewin, Utilities Manager

DATE: July 6, 2011

SUBJECT: **Approval of a Joint Resolution with Monroe County Requesting the Florida Department of Transportation to Mill and Pave Eaton Street from White Street to Whitehead Street and the Garrison Bight Causeway from North Roosevelt to Palm Ave.**

ACTION STATEMENT:

This will approve a joint resolution with Monroe County respectfully requesting that FDOT mill and pave Eaton St. between White St. and Whitehead St., along with the Garrison Bight Causeway from North Roosevelt to Palm Ave.

BACKGROUND:

Monroe County owns Eaton St. and Palm Ave, even though both exist completely within the boundaries of the City of Key West. The condition of Eaton St. and the Garrison Bight Causeway has deteriorated to the point where repairs are necessary.

Since a significant amount of traffic utilizes the Palm Ave. route, the County is requesting that FDOT fund a complete mill and pave for the sections of this roadway that are in poor condition.

PURPOSE & JUSTIFICATION:

The City Commission recently approved for the City to proceed with the repair of 50 of its sewer lateral trenches on Eaton St. between William St. and White St. (Resolution 11-191) The City's work will be completed this summer.

While these trenches represent a significant number of the worst condition areas on Eaton St., there are still sections not included within the scope of the City's project that are in need of improvement, which could be best through a complete mill and pave project. These sections include a Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority water line, and other portions of the County's roadway that have deteriorated.

This joint resolution to FDOT from the City and the County will request that Eaton St. and the Garrison Bight Causeway be added to the scope of work for the North Roosevelt Drive project.

OPTIONS:

1. Approve the joint request asking FDOT to fund the repairs to Eaton St. and the Garrison Bight Causeway. This could allow state funding to repair one of the City's busiest arterial roads.
2. The City can decline this request. This option could eliminate the chance for the state to repair the aforementioned roadways.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact to this request.

RECOMMENDATION:

The staff recommends option # 1, that the City and County both request FDOT to fund the roadway repairs for the Eaton St. and Garrison Bight Causeway projects.