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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

**FROM:** Doug Bradshaw, Senior Project Manager

**DATE:** July 19, 2010

**RE:** **Extending the contract days for the Sidewalk Enhancements Phase III – Caroline and Eaton Streets Corridor Ramps**

**ACTION STATEMENT:**

This resolution will authorize a sixty (60) day extension to the contract with Charley Toppino and Sons, Inc. for Sidewalk Enhancements Phase III – Caroline and Eaton Streets Corridor Ramps. The current contract time is 150 days for design/build with a contract completion date of July 30, 2010. The proposed contract completion date is September 28, 2010.

**BACKGROUND:**

The design and construction for each project location will be reimbursed 100% through an FDOT Local Area Program (LAP) grant not to exceed the following grant constraints for design/construction: \$112,320 (Caroline Street); \$112,320 (Eaton Street). These grants are funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, commonly referred to as stimulus funding.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 was signed by President Obama on February 17, 2009. The ARRA is an unprecedented effort to jumpstart our economy, create or save millions of jobs, and put a down payment on addressing long-neglected challenges so that our country can thrive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This legislation will pay for needed transportation improvements while providing jobs and other economic benefits. The City has been actively seeking these funds to assist our local economy and to improve local infrastructure. We were able to obtain funding for thirteen Sidewalk Enhancement projects through this federal legislation.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:**

FDOT is requiring construction variances be submitted and approved based on FDOT Design Standards. The designer for this project, Hole Montes, Inc., and the

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City of Key West were designing and reviewing these proposed sidewalk improvements based on Federal Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG). During the states initial review process no reference to the FDOT Design Standards was made. With the states final review process the designer and City were informed of the conflict and the required construction variances needed, based on FDOT Design Standards, to receive approval to proceed with construction.

Per the attached contract time extension request from Charley Toppino and Sons, dated July 16, 2010, the new contract completion date would be September 28, 2010.

**OPTIONS / ADVANTAGES / DISADVANTAGES:**

1. Approve the sixty (60) day contract time extension due to required FDOT construction variances. The new contract completion date will be September 28, 2010.
2. Do not approve the sixty (60) day contract time extension. The contract completion date will remain as July 30, 2010.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There are no financial impacts.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Commission select option 1, approve the sixty (60) day contract time extension due to required FDOT construction variances. The new contract completion date will be September 28, 2010.