

17th Street Working Group
September 22, 2020

Attendees: Commissioner Sorensen, Barbara Magill, Robert Lochrie, Bill Cole, George Mihaiu, Juan Saavedra, Alexia Heathcock, Anthony Fajardo, Dr. Natacha Yacinthe, Alex Saiz, Karen Warfel, Darci Mayer, and Andrew Riddle.

This meeting is a continuation of the August 25, 2020, Working Group meeting to review and vote on the outstanding projects in the 2nd Mobility Plan category of **Network Connectivity & Access Management Solutions**. Darci Mayer reminded the Working Group members that no project is being eliminated from the Mobility Plan. The purpose of voting on these projects is to indicate if the project should be a “top 10” priority project going forward.

Darci provided an overview of the remaining **Network Connectivity & Access Management Solutions** projects identified in the 17th Street Corridor Mobility Plan and went through each of the remaining projects individually:

1. **SE 12th Street Connection**
There was a discussion that neighbors may oppose the project due to the narrow width of the right-of-way that may only accommodate one lane (e.g. alleyway).
2. **Miami Road & Spangler Dr median redesign**
Bill Cole stated that the by-pass road may make this project not relevant anymore.
3. **SE 19th St Connection**
No discussion.
4. **Mariner Drive (SE 18th St) Connection West**
There was a discussion about the Village East residents and if the by-pass road may make this project not relevant anymore (clarification was provided, see #5).
5. **Mariner Drive (SE 18th St) Connection East**
Bill Cole stated that this project is not possible with the by-pass road.
6. **SE 20th St Connection/Southern Bypass Road *original group priority**
No discussion.
7. **East/West Connectivity Project north of SE 17th St**
Barbara Magill stated that depending on the outcome of the Cordova Road project, this project may eliminate connectivity.
8. **I-595 westbound entrance ramp at Andrews Ave**
There was a discussion regarding Andrews Avenue (south) and the entrance onto I-595 and the high pass through traffic volume on the facilities. It was stated that the group could look for other ways to access I-595. Commissioner Sorensen stated that the Working Group could make this project a high priority and work with the appropriate partners (FDOT) on an appropriate solution.
9. **Miami Rd improvements SE 4th Ave Park**
No discussion.
10. **Airport flyover**
Barbara Magill stated that this project was not supported in the past. Karen commented that there may be confusion about this project and it may be the Port Connector project. Dr. Yacinthe stated a consultant has been selected for a rail study to determine the proper technology for the airport and seaport connector (“People Mover”).
11. **Cordova Road Driveway Consolidation**
No discussion.
12. **SE 4th Ave and SE 17th St North Intersection Improvement**
No discussion.

13. SE 4th Ave and SE 17th St South Intersection Improvement

No discussion.

14. SE 17th St Driveway Consolidation

Barbara Magill requested clarification on the cross streets for this project. Bill Cole asked about an alternative to the project. There was a discussion about cross access (easements) among developments and that the requirements need to be in the land development code (which there are no code requirements currently in the code) because developers are reluctant to connect to adjoining properties.

The next meeting will be scheduled in the future to identify priority projects for the remaining categories of the Mobility Plan.

Is the project still a Priority for the Working Group (Yes or No)	Majority Vote
1. SE 12th Street Connection	No
2. Miami Road & Spangler Dr median redesign	No
3. SE 19th St Connection	No
4. Mariner Drive (SE 18th St) Connection West	No
5. Mariner Drive (SE 18th St) Connection East	Yes
6. SE 20th St Connection/Southern Bypass Road *original group priority	No
7. East/West Connectivity Project north of SE 17th St	Yes
8. I-595 westbound entrance ramp at Andrews Ave	Yes
9. Miami Rd improvements SE 4th Ave Park	No
10. Airport flyover	Yes
11. Cordova Road Driveway Consolidation	No
12. SE 4th Ave and SE 17th St North Intersection Improvement	Yes
13. SE 4th Ave and SE 17th St South Intersection Improvement	Yes
14. SE 17th St Driveway Consolidation	Yes