

Town Council

STAFF REPORT Department of Engineering



MEETING DATE:	November 8, 2016
PROJECT:	FY 2017 Capital Project Update – Workshop May River Road Streetscape: Phase II
PRESENTER:	Scott Marshall, Deputy Town Manager

BACKGROUND:

Improvement of the May River Road corridor is an implementation step of the Town of Bluffton Old Town Master Plan, supported by the Comprehensive Plan and the SC 46 Corridor Management Plan. The final phase of the May River Streetscape will improve approximately 2,875 linear feet of May River Road, beginning at the intersection of Jennifer Court, and ending approximately 100 linear feet east of the intersection with Pin Oak Street. The addition of sidewalks, curb and gutter, on-street parking, landscaping and lighting will improve the appearance of the corridor, while increasing safety for pedestrians. With the completion of this project, pedestrian connectivity is provided from the Historic District to Buck Island Road.

OCTOBER ACTIVITY UPDATES:

- Received tentative SCDOT approval of Design Exception Request for 11' lanes
- Responses to SCDOT's latest comments (4th round) have been addressed / submitted
- **38 Total Easements – All have been acquired or Right to Enter approved**
 - 36 - Easements have been signed and recorded
 - 2 – Condemnation process - Right to Enter approved by Court
- Landscape Plans were reviewed and conditionally approved by the Highway Corridor Overlay Review Board at the Town Planning Commission Meeting on October 26
- DHEC/OCRM approvals received
- Roadway Construction contract was executed

NEXT STEPS:

- Complete items required for issuance of SCDOT Encroachment Permit
 - Approval of round 4 responses to comments
 - Approval of Street Lighting Plan
 - Approval and submittal of OCRM Notice of Intent (land disturbance permit)
- Refine Construction Schedule

ATTACHMENT: May River Road Streetscape Update Summary w/Project Schedule

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- Status of Easements - 38 Easements Needed
 - All have been either acquired or Right to Enter has been approved
 - 36 Easements granted by Owners
 - Right to Enter filed for and granted for two remaining properties



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- **October Activity Updates**
 - Received tentative SCDOT approval of Design Exception Request for 11' lanes
 - Responses to SCDOT's latest (round 4) comments were addressed / submitted
 - Landscape Plans reviewed and approved by Highway Corridor Overlay Review Board on 10/26/16
 - Roadway Construction contract executed by all parties



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- Next Steps
 - Complete Items Required for Issuance of SCDOT Encroachment Permit
 - Approval of round 4 responses to comments
 - Approval of Street Lighting Plan
 - Approval of SCDOT Maintenance Agreements
 - Refine Construction Schedule



May River Road Streetscape Project Schedule

