

**CITY OF NORTH PORT
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM**

Item No. RD3A
(City Clerk's Use Only)

MEETING FOR:

Regular

Fire Rescue District

Road & Drainage District

Solid Waste District

Other:

X

Meeting of:

March 22, 2010

Department:

Public Works

Prepared by:

Branford N. Adumuah, Public Works
Director

Date Prepared:

February 23, 2010

Exhibits:

City Commission minutes of March 13,
1989
Streetlight Request Assessment Form
Streetlight Expenditures by Road and
Drainage District FY 2000 - FY 2010

AGENDA SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action regarding criteria for approving requests from residents for streetlight installation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That City Commission approves the proposed new criteria for streetlight installation.

SUMMARY:

The Department of Public Works receives several requests each year from residents for the installation of streetlights on local roads near their homes. To better manage the requests, the Department currently uses the following criteria derived from minutes of the Road and Drainage District on March 13, 1989, (attached) and approved by the City Commission at the time:

1. The primary purpose of streetlights is to illuminate the roadway and public rights-of-way to improve nighttime driving visibility. City installed streetlights are not meant to provide security lighting to private property and homes.
2. There must be at least five (5) homes per street in a "cluster" to warrant a streetlight. A cluster is defined as houses side by side or across the street.
3. Areas with consistent traffic accidents which cannot be corrected with the installation of standard traffic control devices would be selected for streetlight installation. Consistent traffic accidents shall be defined as four (4) or more accidents per year at the same location.
4. All signalized intersections would qualify for streetlights.
5. All officially designated school bus stops would be illuminated if requested by the public or the school board.
6. All streetlights would be installed on one side of the roadway only and no closer than three hundred feet (300') apart.

APPROVED BY:

Initial

Date

Department Director:

BNA

3/8/10

City Manager:

[Signature]

3/10/10

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I would like to revise the 1989 criteria to bring them in line with current operations and practices of the Road and Drainage District. Therefore, I propose the following new criteria for approving requests from residents for streetlight installation:

1. There must be at least five (5) homes per street in a "cluster" to warrant a streetlight. A cluster is defined as houses side by side or across the street.
2. All signalized intersections would qualify for streetlights.
3. All officially designated school bus stops would be illuminated if requested by the public or the school board.
4. Three (3) traffic accidents during night hours have occurred at the same location within the last twelve (12) months.
5. Two (2) incidents of crime during night hours within one block of the same location have occurred within the last (12) twelve months.

The Department budgeted \$375,556 this fiscal year and estimates spending \$418,120 in FY 2011 for streetlight installation and electricity charges. The FY 2011 projected cost includes electricity charges for the new streetlights along Toledo Blade Boulevard. It is worth noting that about 99% of the expenditure is for electricity charges and 1% is for the installation of the streetlight infrastructure (light, pole, transformer, etc) to accommodate the new light.

I recommend that City Commission approve the proposed new criteria for streetlight installation.



Streetlight Request Assessment Form

Requested By:	Address:	Telephone:
Date Received:	Reviewed By:	Approved:
		YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Reason for request:		

Step One: Criteria

(At least one question must be marked "Yes" to move on to Step Two)

	YES	NO
1. Cluster of five (5) or more homes?		
2. Signalized intersection?		
3. Officially designated school bus stop?		
4. Three (3) traffic accidents during night hours at location within the last twelve months?		
5. Two (2) incidents of crime during night hours within one (1) block of location within the last twelve months?		

Step Two: Existing FP&L infrastructure

(Question must be answered "Yes" to move on to Step Three)

	YES	NO
Light pole, transformer, line, etc. exists?		
FP&L pole number:		

Step Three: Majority Approval

(Question must be answered "Yes" to move on to Step Four)

	YES	NO
Simple majority of affected residents approve?		
Homeowners Contacted: Name /Address/Comments	Approve	Disapprove

Step Four: Funding

(Request approved once question is answered "Yes")

	YES	NO
Is funding available?		

Signature _____

Date _____

NORTH PORT ROAD & DRAINAGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1989

Present Vice Mayor Russell, Commissioners Sansone, Goodcuff, and de Lasalle, City Manager Pierce, Associate City Attorney Merrill, Deputy Police Chief Pribe and Deputy City Clerk Winslow

In the absence of Mayor Coulter, Vice Mayor Russell called the regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Road & Drainage District to order at 10 35 a m in the City Chambers

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Goodcuff moved for approval of the minutes of the Road & Drainage District Regular Meeting of February 13 1989, seconded by Commissioner Sansone The motion carried unanimously

2 PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizens concerns included 1) Request for relief for left turns from North Port Boulevard onto U S 41 2) Street light requests in newly populated areas (see Item 5 on Agenda) A consensus was requested from the chair regarding the left turn problem mentioned in item 1 and the governing board agreed unanimously, to allow Mr Florensa to contact the FDOT requesting a permissive turn signal at this traffic light

The City Manager noted that, as a conclusion to the parking improvement program the paved parking area across North Port Boulevard (fronting City Hall) is being removed and replaced with sod

3 PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY DRAWING FOR ROAD & DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE BUILDING TO BE SITUATED ON PRICE BOULEVARD

City Manager James Pierce, briefly explained the existing status of the referenced project The preliminary working plans have been completed by the contracted architects and are ready for review by the Commission

Director of the Road & Drainage District, Juan Florensa, then introduced Michael Carlson, project architect for the proposed building and Michael Holliday, both from the architectural firm of Johnson Peterson Holliday. Site and building plans had been previously distributed to governing board members and they followed the plans as Mr. Holliday explained in detail each of the aspects of the area, noting that future expansion was taken into consideration when drawing the plans. When the presentation was completed he answered questions from board members and the public regarding the site and building plans.

Vice Mayor Russell took a consensus of the governing board and all agreed the project could proceed as planned.

4 REPORT FROM ROAD & DRAINAGE DIRECTOR SEEKING AUTHORIZATION TO COMPETITIVELY BID THE U S 41 & PAN AMERICAN BOULEVARD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

Director Florensa explained the plans for the referenced intersection noting that said plans had been submitted to the Florida Department of Transportation for final review and approval, and to the Planning & Zoning department for inclusion in the next meeting of the P & Z Advisory Board meeting. Anticipating approval from those two agencies, Mr. Florensa requested permission to advertise and go to bids on this project as soon as approval was granted.

Commissioner Goodcuff moved to grant authorization to competitively bid the noted project upon completion of the permitting, seconded by Commissioner Sansone. The motion carried unanimously.

5 REPORT FROM ROAD & DRAINAGE DIRECTOR RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF OBJECTIVE NEW STREET LIGHTING STANDARDS

The City Manager explained the necessity of a standardized plan for street lighting within the City of North Port. Mr. Florensa then presented a guideline, listing six (6) standards to be met for the installation of street lights. The standards are:

- 1) The primary purpose of street lights is to illuminate the roadway and public rights-of-way to improve night time driving visibility. City installed street lights are not meant to provide security lighting to private property and homes.

- 2) There must be at least five (5) homes per street in a "cluster" to warrant a street light. A cluster is defined as houses side by side or across the street.
- 3) Areas with consistent traffic accidents which cannot be corrected with the installation of standard traffic control devices would be selected for street light installation. Consistent traffic accidents shall be defined as four (4) or more accidents per year at the same location.
- 4) All signalized intersections would qualify for street lights.
- 5) All officially designated school bus stops would be illuminated if requested by the public or the school board.
- 6) All street lights would be installed on one side of the roadway only and no closer than three hundred feet (300') apart.

If approval of the plan is granted, a review of each request for a street light will begin immediately.

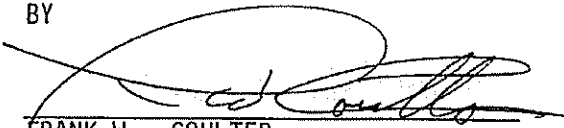
Commissioner de Lasalle moved for acceptance of street lighting standards as presented, seconded by Commissioner Sansone. The motion carried unanimously.

6 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sansone moved for adjournment, seconded by Commissioner de Lasalle. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

BY


FRANK W. COULTER
MAYOR

ATTEST


LILLIAN A. PEDERSEN
CITY CLERK

**Road and Drainage District
Streetlight Expenditures
FY 2000 - FY 2010**

Fiscal Year Cost

2000	\$	163,073
2001	\$	173,763
2002	\$	157,997
2003	\$	168,877
2004	\$	168,203
2005	\$	214,783
2006	\$	253,088
2007	\$	280,355
2008	\$	330,344
2009	\$	353,699
*2010	\$	375,556
**2011	\$	418,120

*Budgeted

**Estimated

**NORTH PORT CITY COMMISSION
ROAD AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BODY REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2010**

PRESENT: Commissioner Garofalo, Chair; Commissioner Blucher, Vice-Chair; Commissioners Carusone, Jones, and Treubert; City Manager Crowell; City Attorney Robinson; Commission Intern Sturgis; City Clerk Raimbeau; Deputy City Clerk Adkins and Police Chief Lewis

The North Port City Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the City Chambers by Chair Garofalo.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Commission.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT: 4:01 p.m. – 4:04 p.m.

Curtis Lavarello of the Sarasota Coalition on Substance Abuse (SCOCA) thanked the City of North Port for its support and announced that Monica Becket of North Port was this year's recipient of the Shining Star Award.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Minutes for the February 22, 2010 Road & Drainage District Governing Body Regular Meeting. (H. Raimbeau)

Commissioner Blucher moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. Discussion, and possible action, regarding criteria for approving requests from residents for streetlight installation. (W. Vest)

Road and Drainage Operation Manager Vest provided an overview regarding the criteria for approving requests from residents for streetlight installation. Discussion ensued: (1) clarification of language regarding putting in street lights for security reasons vs. safety issues relating to crime; (2) requested that the types of crimes be identified as it relates to the requirement of two incidents of crime; (3) possibility of changing 5 homes to 3 homes in a cluster; (4) it was noted that street lights are placed three hundred (300) feet apart; (5) it was suggested that the definition of "clusters" be clarified; (6) it was noted that when the City installs a street light it faces the roadway; (7) it was suggested that a streetlight be placed every six hundred (600) feet apart, centrally located. There was no public comment.

Commissioner Treubert moved to approve criteria for approving requests from residents for streetlight installation as amended to identify the types of crimes as it relates to the requirement of two incidents of crime; clarify language addressing the difference between putting a street light in for security reasons and for safety issues relating to crime; and clarify definition of clusters; seconded by Chair Carusone. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Discussion, and possible action, regarding award of Contract No. 2010-13: Road Rehabilitation Improvements for a base award amount of \$1,200,209.53 and an additional \$150,000 for contingency (total base contract \$1,350,209.53) to Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC with provision that additional roads may be added to the contract as change orders contingent upon funding. (M. Ranalli)

Road and Drainage Operations Engineer Ranalli provided an overview and PowerPoint Presentation regarding the request for Award of Contract No. 2010-13, Road Rehabilitation Improvements to Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC. Discussion ensued: (1) it was noted that Governmental Properties are still in flux; (2) it was suggested that any extra monies be spent on the collector and arterial roads; (3) it was noted that the road conditions are extremely poor by the Ponce De Leon Boulevard and Tropicare Boulevard area. There was no public comment.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve award of Contract No. 2010-13: Road Rehabilitation Improvements for a base award amount of \$1,200,209.53 and an additional \$150,000 for contingency (total base contract \$1,350,209.53) to Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC with provision that additional roads may be added to the contract as change orders contingent upon funding using Option #2; seconded by Commissioner Treubert. Motion carried unanimously.

C. **Discussion, and possible action, concerning use of the Construction Traffic Road Fee (CTRF) funds in the amount of \$931,000 for rehabilitation of roads. (M. Ranalli)**

Road and Drainage Operations Engineer Ranalli provided an overview and PowerPoint Presentation regarding potential use of Construction Traffic Road Fee (CTRF) funds for rehabilitation of roads. Discussion ensued: (1) it was pointed out that there are houses located on Option #3 in the area off of Price Boulevard by Raintree Boulevard; (2) it was noted that previously the commission agreed that they would not repair roads on the east side of town with money from a bond referendum; (3) it was suggested that repairs stop at Raintree Boulevard and do the worst portion of Tropicare Boulevard; (4) it was clarified that the drainage will be corrected in the section on North Biscayne to prevent flooding; (5) it was suggested to take the portion of Morton Street and add to the cluster on Tropicare Boulevard. There was no public comment.

Commissioner Treubert moved to approve use of the Construction Traffic Road Fee (CTRF) funds in the amount of \$931,000 for rehabilitation of roads choosing Option #3 with amendments to remove Price Boulevard east of Raintree Boulevard, Raintree Boulevard, and Morton Street and use these distances on the worst areas on Tropicare Boulevard ; seconded by Chair Carusone. Motion carried unanimously.


4. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Garofalo adjourned the Road and Drainage District Governing Body Regular Meeting at 4:54 p.m.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA AS THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE NORTH PORT ROAD &
DRAINAGE DISTRICT

BY: 
DAVID J. GAROFALO SR., COMMISSION
CHAIR

ATTEST:


HELEN M. RAIMBEAU, MMC
CITY CLERK

Minutes approved at the Commission Regular Meeting
this 26 Day of April 2010.