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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, March 27, 2025 2:00 pm

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Port St. Lucie Boulevard Construction and Programming Update: An update will be provided on the ongoing and future construction phases to widen Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Becker Road.
- 5. Comments from the Public
- 6. Recommendations/Comments by Members
- 7. TPO Staff Comments
- 8. Next Meeting: The next St. Lucie TPO Board Meeting is a regular meeting scheduled for 2:00 pm on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.
- 9. Adjourn

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AGENDA I TEM SUMMARY

Board/Committee: St. Lucie TPO Board

Meeting Date: March 27, 2025

Item Number: 4

Item Title: Port St. Lucie Boulevard Construction and

Programming Update

Item Origination: St. Lucie TPO Board

UPWP Reference: Task 3.3 - Transportation Improvement Program

Requested Action: None

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended that the issues delaying the

completion of and the future challenges associated with the widening of Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Becker Road

are discussed and comments are provided.

<u>Attachments</u>

Staff Report



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MEMORANDUM

TO: St. Lucie TPO Board

FROM: Peter Buchwald

Executive Director

DATE: March 20, 2025

SUBJECT: Port St. Lucie Boulevard Construction and Programming

Update

BACKGROUND

At the St. Lucie TPO Board Meeting on February 5th, it was identified that the completion of the construction of Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Alcantarra Boulevard continues to be delayed significantly which is causing hardship for the City of Port St. Lucie (City) and its residents. It was further identified that the completion schedule presented by the Florida Department of Transportation District 4 (FDOT) at the Board Meeting on October 2, 2025, when an update on the Port St. Lucie Boulevard Construction and Programming was last provided, is not being met.

Consensus was obtained at the Board Meeting on February 5th for the Board to conduct a Special Meeting with FDOT to discuss the construction delays. At the Special Meeting, TPO, FDOT, and City staffs will provide an update on the ongoing and future construction projects to widen Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Becker Road.

ANALYSIS

The widening of Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Becker Road first appeared as a Cost Feasible Project funded by the TPO in the 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan adopted in February 2011. From that conception, the project has progressed through the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study, Design, and Right-of-Way Acquisition phases to the Construction phases becoming one of the only local (off the State System)

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projects, other than Midway Road, in the history of the TPO to achieve that level of success.

To enable that level of success, the construction of the widening of Port St. Lucie Boulevard is divided into the following segments:

Gatlin Boulevard to Darwin Boulevard (FM# 431752-4)

- Segment length: 0.58 miles
- Under construction by the City
- Construction cost: \$9,289,137

Darwin Boulevard to Alcantarra Boulevard (FM# 431752-6)

- Segment length: 0.713 miles
- Under construction by FDOT
- Construction cost: \$15,094,974

Alcantarrra Boulevard to Paar Drive (FM# 431752-5)

- Segment length: 1.076 miles
- To be constructed by FDOT
- Project is funded for construction in FY 2024/25
- Construction cost: \$30,953,813

Paar Drive to Becker Road (FM# 431752-3)

- Segment length: 1.119 miles
- Under design by FDOT
- To be constructed by FDOT
- Project is advance funded by the City in FY 2026/27 to be repaid in FY 2027/28
- Construction cost: \$22,227,711

Total project length: 3.488 miles Total construction cost: \$77,565,635

As part of the update, the staffs will explain the issues that each of the segments is experiencing which delay the completion of the construction, the estimated completion dates for the construction that is underway, and the design, programming, and construction challenges of the remaining project segments.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the issues delaying the completion of and the future challenges associated with the widening of Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Becker Road are discussed and comments are provided.