



SUBJECT

Krome Avenue South PD&E Study – Agencies Meeting

DATE & TIME

September 10, 2012
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

LOCATION

South Dade Government Center
10710 SW 211th Street, Room 203
Miami, FL 33189

ATTENDEES

Agency Representative:

Jane Griffin Dozier, Miami-Dade Parks
Julio Brea, City of Homestead
Elaine Johnson, Miami-Dade RER
Flavio Quiroz, Miami-Dade Police Department
Jim Murley, SFRPC
Charles Cynlle, MDR/OEM
Christopher Benitez, MDX
Christie Velázquez, Miami-Dade RER-ERM
Cynthia Guerra, Miami-Dade RER-ERM/EEL Program
Janet Gil, Miami-Dade RER-ERM/EEL Program
Rick Ammirato, Homestead CRA
Mark Heinicke, Miami-Dade Park & Recreation Department

Project Team:

Jorge Gomez, FDOT-D6
Dat Huynh, FDOT-D6
Julio Bouclé, URS
Jeannette Lazo, URS
Keith Stannard, URS
Jenn King, URS
Mike Ciscar, TCG
Barbie Rodriguez, TCG

MEETING SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the meeting:

- Mr. Bouclé provided an update of the project status. A power point presentation was used to update the agency representatives attending the meeting. The roundtable scoping meeting with the agencies took place in the year 2004, this meeting is a follow up to re-introduce the project to those representatives that





are new to the project, and bring up to date all other agency representatives that have been involved in the process from its inception.

- Mr. Boucle explained the different typical section alternatives and the right of way footprint required from each alternative, discussed the current roadway conditions; and mentioned that Alternative 5 may turn out to be the recommended alternative that reduces the right of way needs for the project and complies with the design guidelines established by the FDOT.
- It was stated that the existing right of way width is not consistent throughout the corridor and it varies from 35' to 200'.
- Mr. Boucle explained that although a number of FDOT intersection improvements were completed by 2007, the number of fatalities per year has continued to be an issue. He stated that improvements to this corridor will help decrease the number of crashes and increase safety and mobility. It was mentioned that this corridor is traveled heavily by trucks and farm vehicles.
- Mr. Bouclé reported that the final design of the project will be done in-house by FDOT engineers and that funds are available. He also reported that the right of away portion of the project is funded and that construction is partially funded.
- Mr. Bouclé stated that the public hearing is tentatively scheduled for the spring of 2013. After the public hearing is held, all documentation regarding the project will be turned in to the FDOT for review/approval, and to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for final concurrence and approval. Mr. Boucle stated that the PD&E process is expected to be completed by December 2013, when Location Design Acceptance (LDCA) is granted and Record of Decision (ROD) is signed.
- Mr. Heinicke asked about the status of Krome North. It was explained that Krome North has been divided into different design segments: i.e., from SW 136th Street to Kendall Drive – under final design by FDOT in-house engineers; from Kendall Drive to north of SW 8th Street – final design completed by consultants; and from north of SW 8th Street to Okeechobee Road – also under final design/permitting by consultants.
- The sections to the north of this project do not have a Shared Use Path included as part of their typical section. Mr. Heinicke requested to extend the Shared Use Path to intercept the Black Creek Canal where another bike facility is already planned. This matter will be discussed with the design Project Manager for that segment, Ms. Heidi Solaun for potential extension of the Shared Use Path up to the Black Creek Canal.
- It was stated that the typical section to the south matches the section to the north, a transition area will occur south of SW 136th Street, but the median, travel lanes, and shoulders are the same dimensions.
- Mr. Murley inquired about the Access Management classification for the corridor, it was explained that Access Management will remains the same as currently classified - Class 2. The Department is currently coordinating with Miami-Dade County on this topic to finalize the Binding Access Management Control Plan.





- Ms. Guerra inquired about the impacts to the EEL parcel. Mr. Bouclé explained that the team developed a mitigation treatment to be applied along the EEL parcel to minimize impacts and reduce the roadway footprint in that area. It consists of a guardrail protection treatment that will extend along the EEL property line. He showed Ms. Guerra a schematic drawing of what the treatment looks like. A follow up conversation took place between the EEL representatives and the team's environmental project manager, including impacted area after mitigation treatment, canopy affected, and other potential footprint reductions. They will exchange project information and continue coordination on this item.
- It was explained that the roadway alignment meanders throughout and it is not a straight line, it was designed this way to minimize right of way impacts in certain areas of the corridor. Mr. Bouclé stated that construction may occur in phases and the project will be segmented. It is unclear as to which phase will go first, but this project segmentation will allow the FDOT to collect the necessary funds to complete the entire project.
- The agency representatives thanked the team for the update, no additional questions and/or concerns were raised. Meeting was adjourned.

