



Meeting Summary

MEETING: Heron Bay Men's Club
DATE: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 **TIME:** 7:30 pm
LOCATION: 11535 Osprey Trail, Parkland, Florida 33076
CONTACT: Art Condill, President of Heron Bay Men's Club
Darryl Miles, Past President of Heron Bay Men's Club

OTHER MEETING PARTICIPANTS: Approximately 32 residents from Heron Bay communities

PROJECT TEAM MEMBER PARTICIPATION: Jeff Weidner, Marlin Engineering; Pamela Adams and Davicka Thompson, Adams Consulting Group

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The purpose of this meeting was to engage and update the Heron Bay Community which is located in the cities of Parkland and Coral Springs with an introduction and update on the progress of the SW 10th Street Consensus Building Initiative.

Below is an overview of the meeting:

- The welcome, a program introduction and biographies of Jeff Weidner and Pamela Adams were read by members of the Heron Bay Men's Club
- Pamela Adams provided an overview of the SW 10th Street Consensus Building Initiative
- Jeff Weidner provided an overview of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, its purpose, composition and process for planning transportation. He also provided a history of the Sawgrass Expressway/SW 10th Street outlining previous studies and their outcomes
- Jeff described the teams approach to build consensus for the future of the corridor. The team began by meeting with elected officials in each city and then meeting with HOA and civic groups and a Community Oversight Advisory Team (COAT) is being established. He explained the composition as a community committee with 17 representatives from Parkland, Coral Springs, Coconut Creek and Deerfield Beach. Its purpose is to provide the Sawgrass Expressway/SW 10th Street Project Team with various perspectives on a vision, to act as a channel to disseminate

project information to the community, to share feedback from the community and to be the cornerstone of the consensus building process.

The list below captures comments, feedback and concerns from meeting attendees:

1. Questions, Comments and Concerns Expressed at Meeting

- a. There are only three options to move traffic and solve the issues on SW 10th Street, to go over, under or at grade through the area between the turnpike and I-95
- b. Noise is a major concern. Would like to see design options that would contain noise. Suggested to at least consider a combo of ditch/tunnel designs to alleviate radiated noise that would be created by a flyover or elevated highway. A Detroit project SR 696 was cited as an example.
- c. How is government at the County and State involved? Will the MPO have to go to State or Federal government for funding? Explain FDOT responsibilities versus BMPO responsibilities? Response: Jeff: Explained the roles of each of the partnering governmental agencies.
- d. What will occur at the end of the process? Moving project forward after community feedback collected? Response: Jeff explained that following the community meeting in January the team will prepare a report of recommendations for the Broward MPO Board. The Board will determine how and what recommendations to move forward to the FDOT
- e. Curious about the number of residents who oppose noise wall in Independence Bay, Waterways and Century Village.
- f. Between 4-5 pm traveling from the east to Parkland is very dangerous, witnessed several fatal accidents. How will facts and data about safety concerns contribute to change? Jeff explained that the next level of study will include a safety analysis of the types of crashes and potential causes.
- g. Has there been an independent study to document safety concerns to bolster support for improvements to the corridor? Response: Not as part of this project.
- h. Air quality will improve without the current stop and go traffic
- i. Examples of the improvements made to Southern Boulevard in West Palm Beach were offered as an example of potential solutions
- j. Will each municipality on the BMPO board have an equal vote on the way forward? Jeff explained that the voting structure is limited because of the number of Cities in Broward and only 19 members get to vote on the board. Currently Coral Springs and Tamarac represent and vote for NW Broward and Deerfield Beach and Pompano represent and vote for NE Broward.

2. Recommended Solutions

- a. Solutions should address noise, the environment and safety concerns
- b. Consider depressed tunnel design
- c. Research Detroit SR 696. Very similar, decades of controversy until the traffic issues got partners together for a solution.

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