

Town of Paradise Valley

Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Collins and Town Council Members

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DATE: March 9, 2017

DEPARTMENT: Public Works and Engineering Department

AGENDA TITLE:

Approval of Resolution 2017-04 Accepting a Roadway Easement at 4826 East Lincoln Drive

Council Goals or Statutory Requirements:

Maintain, repair, and add critical infrastructure to the town

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution 2017-04

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

As part of the discussions regarding the Five Star Development for the Ritz Carlton Resort, the traffic impact studies submitted suggested that the Town improve the traffic flow at the intersection of Lincoln Drive and Tatum Boulevard. The development agreement with Five Star made these improvements to be at the Town's discretion. However, based on observed traffic conditions, staff believes that these improvements should be made sooner rather than later. In particular, the improvements staff has identified, a westbound Lincoln Drive to northbound Tatum Boulevard right hand turn lane extension, should help relieve some of the current intersection backup and congestion during peak times.

The existing right hand turn lane storage length of 190 feet is severely inadequate for the amount of traffic completing this turning maneuver. The proposed improvements will double the storage length to improve the current level of service and provide an appropriate level of service for future traffic flow. In addition, the existing right-of-way width in this particular area is too narrow to accommodate the right turn lane. As such, to complete this construction, it is necessary to acquire an additional roadway easement in front of the property located at 4826 East Lincoln Drive.

This Roadway Easement will provide the necessary area to construct the turn lane extension, a new meandering sidewalk, and landscaping. The owners of 4826 East Lincoln Drive are willing to grant the Town a twenty-five foot roadway easement in return for certain improvements such as a privacy wall and the provision of a secondary access to their property. The attached resolution authorizes

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the Town Manager to execute an agreement with these owners. The agreement itself is also attached. Town staff believes that the agreement provides for a fair exchange and recommends that the Council approved Resolution # 2017-04.

As an additional benefit, this acquisition will allow for a double left turn lane from westbound Lincoln onto southbound Tatum. This should also relieve congestion during peak times.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The approval of this item does not specifically authorize the expenditure of funds, but does commit the Town to completing the associated improvements. These improvements are identified in the Town's FY2016-17 Capital Improvement Plan and a separate item for construction costs will be brought forth before Council for consideration at a future date.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Resolution 2017-04; including the attached Agreement