



AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

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DEPARTMENT: Executive

MEETING: Town Council – 30 May 2024

SUBJECT: Discussion on Sidewalk from Carolina Beach Lake to Carolina Sands

BACKGROUND:

In May of 2023 the Town Manager was in discussions with North Carolina Department of Transportation (DOT) about how we could get sidewalks added from Carolina Sands to the Lake. Later that summer funding from DOT was earmarked for this project. Several on-site meetings occurred with Town staff and DOT. In November a plan was given to the town. The plan showed the sidewalk meandering from DOT right of way to private property. There were multiple conflicts with power poles, mailboxes, utilities, trash bins, signage, etc. Costs of purchasing the additional needed right-of-way was also a significant concern.

Staff worked with DOT on an alternative that would bump out curb and gutter and avoid all the conflicts. DOT met with staff on-site again and determined there was adequate drive aisle width to accomplish this task. However, when the estimate came back to the Town it was going to cost \$1,691,153.08.

Staff talked to Town Council about this issue and direction was given to see if we could get any aspect of the project completed (i.e. one or two blocks). Staff went back to DOT and they agreed to look at the costs again on a block by block basis.

During the second review by DOT, their field crews identified some discrepancies in the stormwater infrastructure that was shown on their as-built surveys. This discovery allowed them to significantly reduce the costs. They were also able to break down the costs by block.

ACTION REQUESTED:

There are no funds allocated in the current proposed budget for this project.

This project will be run completely separate from the resurfacing of Lake Park.

DOT will manage the project if approved by Town Council.

The project must be approved for connecting full block sections (i.e. not 1 ½ blocks and no breaks).

Money agreed to be allocated by DOT: **\$183,118**

DOT COST ESTIMATES:

Section 1: Lake - Lake Dr.	\$	115,000.00
Section 2: Lake Dr. – Sumter Ave.	\$	105,000.00
Section 3: Spartanburg Ave. - Spartanburg Ave	\$	150,000.00
Section 4: Sumter Ave. - Greenville Ave.	\$	120,000.00
Section 5: Greenville Ave. - Carolina Sands Dr.	\$	150,000.00
Total:	\$	640,000.00

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

If Town Council would like to move forward staff is requesting a motion that will:

1. Identify specific sections to be included in the scope of the project.
2. Allocate “x” amount of funds for the project utilizing the general fund’s fund balance.
This should be total cost plus 15% minus funds allocated by DOT (see table below).

SIDEWALK TO BE COMPLETED	DOT COST ESTIMATE	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT TO BE ALLOCATED BY THE TOWN
Section 1: Lake – Lake Dr.	\$ 115,000.00	\$0
Section 2: Lake Dr. – Sumter Ave.	\$ 105,000.00	\$69,882
Section 3: Spartanburg Ave. - Spartanburg Ave	\$ 150,000.00	\$242,382
Section 4: Sumter Ave. - Greenville Ave.	\$ 120,000.00	\$380,382
Section 5: Greenville Ave. - Carolina Sands Dr.	\$ 150,000.00	\$552,882
Total:	\$ 640,000.00	

FORMULA: SUM(Sections) +15% - DOT Contribution