Staff Report

Subject: Effingham Parkway Change Order **Author:** Jonathan Hulme, PE County Engineer

Department: Engineering **Meeting Date:** 4/15/2025

Item Description: Change Order

Summary Recommendation:

Effingham County is the local sponsor of Effingham Parkway and has tentatively agreed to obligate Four-Million Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,000,000.00) to fund the implementation of a roundabout on construction at the Blue Jay Road intersection by the construction contractor Balfour Beatty. GDOT has agreed to fund the remaining Blue Jay Road roundabout cost of Four-Million Five-Hundred Seventy Thousand Forty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Four Cents (\$4,570,048.34). The total roundabout cost is Eight Million Five-Hundred Seventy Thousand Forty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Four cents (\$8,570,048.34). Effingham County has been asked to remit to GDOT the agreed upon funding amount for the Blue Jay Road roundabout installation.

Executive Summary/Background:

Effingham Parkway is currently under construction by Balfour Beatty with an anticipated completion date of September 2025 before a design change was made to include 3 roundabouts located at: Goshen Road, Gateway Parkway and Blue Jay Road. GDOT is managing the project and has agreed to pay \$8,105,651.95 for the roundabout at Goshen. GDOT has agreed to allow BROE Real Estate Group to build the roundabout at Gateway Parkway with their contractor. Effingham County has tentatively agreed to contribute \$4,000,000 towards the Blue Jay Roundabout while GDOT will pay the remaining \$4,570,048.34.

Tentatively Effingham Parkway by April 30th, 2026 Gateway Parkway to US HWY 30 construction will be complete. However, the Effingham Parkway from Blue Jay to Gateway Parkway will not be complete until July 31st 2026. The Gateway Parkway Roundabout completion date is to be determined once BROE Real Estate Group awards the contract for construction.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider Recommended Alternative: 1 Approval

Other Alternatives: 2 No Action

Department Review: Engineering, County Manager

Funding Source: TSPLOST

Attachments: Effingham County Roundabout Funding Request, GDOT Effingham Parkway Change Order Response Letter