

Staff Report

Subject: Consent to Approve Indication of Roundabout Support Letter for Effingham SR 17 at Marlow Road/Wesley Drive

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Department: County Manager

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Item Description: Indication of Roundabout Support Letter for Effingham SR 17 at Marlow Road/Wesley Drive

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the Indication of Roundabout Support Letter for Effingham SR 17 at Marlow Road/Wesley Drive.

Executive Summary/Background:

- Georgia Department of Transportation is requesting the review and approval of the Indication of Roundabout Support Letter to begin to validate the roundabout as a feasible alternative.
- The project would consist of constructing a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of SR 17 at Marlow Road/Wesley Drive.
- Effingham County agrees to pay the full and entire cost to energize the lighting system installed and to provide for the operation/maintenance thereof.
- Effingham County also agrees to any maintenance costs associated with landscaping as approved by BOC and the Georgia Department of Transportation (after construction is completed).
- If the roundabout is selected as the preferred alternative, a formal Local Government Lighting Project Agreement with proposed costs will need to be executed.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the Indication of Roundabout Support for Effingham SR 17 at Marlow Road/Wesley Drive.
2. Do not approve the proposed agreement.
3. Provide Staff with direction.

Recommended Alternative: Staff recommends alternative number 1

Other Alternatives: 2 or 3

Department Review: County Manager

Funding Source: The amount of funding required to pay the full and entire cost of the electric energy used for lighting and landscaping maintenance is not known at this time. We currently pay the energy bills for other signals maintained by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Attachments:

1. Letter of request from Georgia Department of Transportation
2. Indication of Roundabout Support