



City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: Tom Carrino, City Manager

DATE: August 17, 2023

RE: Resolution Number 23-70: Railroad Reimbursement Agreement for Crossing Control Devices at W. Atwater Avenue

Introduction:

Resolution Number 23-70 authorizes execution of a railroad reimbursement agreement for the installation of grade crossing traffic control devices at W. Atwater Avenue, and future maintenance/adjustments of these devices.

Background:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FLDOT) is constructing, reconstructing or otherwise changing a portion of the Public Road System on W. Atwater Avenue. The FLDOT will furnish the necessary materials and install Automatic Grade Crossing Signals. After the installation of these signals is completed, fifty percent (50%) of the expenses for maintaining them will be borne by the City of Eustis and fifty percent (50%) will be borne by the FLDOT.

The FLDOT will service, operate and maintain the signals at the W. Atwater Avenue grade crossing until the signals are no longer necessary or until the crossing is abandoned. Cost of maintaining any additional or replacement signal equipment at this location will be shared between the City of Eustis and the FLDOT.

The City will agree to install and maintain advance warning signs and railroad crossing pavement markings at the grade crossings in accordance with the U.S. Department of Transportation Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends entering into this agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation to provide caution and safety at the railroad crossing located on W. Atwater Avenue.

Policy Implications:

n/a

Alternatives:

none

Budget/Staff Impact:

Staff would be responsible for installing and maintaining signs and pavement markings. The FLDOT would be responsible for the expense of installing the actual crossing signals and

gates, approximate cost is \$258,035; and will service, operate and maintain them. The City and FLDOT will share the cost of maintaining the Crossing Control devices, 50% each.

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