

Memorandum



Date: January 10, 2008

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(1)(C)

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Burgess", written over the printed name of the County Manager.

Subject: Amendment to the Board Requested Major Roadway and Neighborhood Improvement Projects List in Exhibit 1 of the People's Transportation Plan to Delete the SW 87 Avenue, from SW 216 Street to SW 168 Street Project and Add the Old Cutler Road, from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue and Caribbean Boulevard, from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Avenue Projects

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution authorizing the amendment of the Board Requested Major Roadway and Neighborhood Improvement Projects list in Exhibit 1 of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) to remove the SW 87 Avenue, from SW 216 Street to SW 168 Street project and replace it with the Old Cutler Road, from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue and the Caribbean Boulevard, from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Avenue projects.

Scope

These projects all fall within Commission District 8.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The total cost estimated and budgeted in last year's pro forma for the construction of the SW 87 Avenue Project approved within the PTP was \$20,000,000 plus contingencies, allowances, and CEI costs. The estimated costs for the proposed projects are: Old Cutler Road Project \$7,200,000 and Caribbean Boulevard Project \$12,950,000, resulting in an effective \$150,000 increase in the estimated construction cost. This increase, less than 1%, will have no impact on the ability to deliver any other projects listed in the PTP.

Track Record/Monitor

At this time, there has been no determination as to the selection of any consulting firms or contractors to carryout the design and construction of this project. Throughout all PTP Projects, the responsible staff person within Public Works Department will be the PTP Coordinator, Mr. Frank Aira, P.E., CFM. The project is to be assigned to Mr. Leandro Oña, Chief, Highway Division, for day to day responsibilities.

Background

Although included among the Board Recommended Major Roadway and Neighborhood Improvement Projects listed in Exhibit 1 of the PTP, the SW 87 Avenue roadway widening project has never managed to garner much local support. Through their Commissioner's Office, the residents in the area have continuously expressed the desire to maintain this mainly residential road in its current capacity. This southern stretch of 87 Avenue begins at the existing canal on SW 164 Street, and runs as a two lane road to its termination at SW 248 Street. With the exception of the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer South Dade Wastewater Treatment Plant, the road only abuts residential areas. Additionally, both City Council's from the Town of Cutler Bay

and the Village of Palmetto Bay have passed resolutions which support maintaining SW 87 Avenue in its current form. While 87 Avenue is an arterial road, the 87 Avenue corridor ceases to be a 4 lane road at SW 88 Street. From SW 88 Street, 87 Avenue runs as a two lane road to a termination at SW 134 Street, and then begins anew on the East of the US-1 at SW 140 Street as a two lane road ending at the aforementioned existing canal. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) does not propose any widening of SW 87 Avenue, with the exception of the aforementioned area from SW 168 St to SW 216 ST, in its Long Range Transportation Plan to the year 2030 (LRTP). The Public Works Department will initiate amending the MPO's LRTP and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the proposed Old Cutler Road and Caribbean Boulevard projects in place of the SW 87 Avenue widening project should the PTP be amended. These newly added projects would have a Priority I classification in the TIP. It should be noted that there are portions of SW 87 Avenue that would benefit from some roadways improvement, though there have been a number of improvements along portions of SW 87 Avenue including drainage improvements and resurfacing of the roadway that have already been carried out. Should the PTP be amended as recommended, these roadway improvements would be carried out by other funding sources which may include the Commission District's PTP Neighborhood Improvement funds.

At the February 21, 2007 Town Council Meeting, the Town of Cutler Bay resolved to recommend to the Miami-Dade County PWD to remove the SW 87 Avenue "Road Widening" project approved by the PTP and reallocate approved funds to the Old Cutler Road and Caribbean Boulevard Roadway Improvement projects. (See attached)

The scope of the proposed road improvements are as follows:

Old Cutler Road, from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue (approx. 1.25 miles)

The project consists of milling and resurfacing the existing roadway, enhancing the existing bike path, providing localized storm drainage, pavement markings and signing, street lighting, and intersection improvements (turn lanes, signalization, etc.). The project will also provide for traffic calming circles on Old Cutler Road at SW 97 Avenue and SW 87 Avenue. The estimated cost for this project is \$7,200,000.

Caribbean Boulevard, from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Avenue (approx. 1.76 miles)

The project consists of reconstructing the existing two (2) lanes and adding a center turn lane and painted median. The project will provide bike lanes, sidewalks, curb and gutter, continuous storm drainage system, enhanced street lighting, and traffic signalization. The estimated cost of this project is \$12,950, 000.

The recommendation of the Town Council was consistent with results of the Cutler Ridge and Old Cutler Road Charettes adopted by BCC resolutions R-438-04 and R-439-04, respectively. Additionally, the Town's Strategic Plan has put forth among its goals to "...enhance the pedestrian friendliness in the Town..." and to "...develop and implement as plan for the enhancement, beautification, and shoulder maintenance of major corridors (Old Cutler Road, Caribbean Boulevard., US.1, etc) leading into the Town". The Town's staff has found that the proposed projects would provide improved mobility and safety of traffic. Specifically, Old Cutler Road provides a scenic and historic roadway bordering both residential estates and commercial areas and extending north to Coral Gables. The widening of Caribbean Boulevard would provide the residents of the area with improved vehicular access to the Florida Turnpike. In both instances the proposed projects allow for friendlier pedestrian access and provide bike paths, which would allow riders from South Dade to reach Coconut Grove. These two projects fall completely within

the Town of Cutler Bay and have the support of the Town Council, as well as the full support of the County District Commissioner.

The SW 87 Avenue Road Widening Project within the PTP covered (3) miles, specifically the project covered 1 mile within the Village of Palmetto Bay and 2 miles within the Town of Cutler Bay. As noted earlier, both municipalities support not carrying out the widening of SW 87 Avenue. However, since no portion of the two proposed projects fall within the Village of Palmetto Bay, the Village has expressed the desire to have a portion of the funding (approximately \$6.6M, a third of the amount budgeted for the SW 87 Avenue Project) be directed to projects within the Village. At the August 6, 2007 Village Council meeting, the Village of Palmetto Bay resolved to request Miami-Dade County to redirect the fair share amount of funds to capital improvements within the Village, as well as requested the opportunity to present its case for the fair allocation of funds before the CITT. Prior to the Village Council meetings, District Commissioner Katy Sorenson, met with both municipalities to discuss this matter and attempt to reach a solution agreeable to all parties involved. Failing to reach such an agreement, the District Commissioner has voiced her support for the proposed amendment being set forth.

It should be noted, that all parties involved have been advised that PTP funds budgeted for projects listed in Exhibit 1 are not allocations to a particular area, Municipality, or Commission District. Recommendations to amend the PTP must be initially reviewed by the CITT and forwarded to the Board for approval. Previous similar recommendations for amendments to the PTP have resulted in 1) the deletion of the NW 170 Street without redirecting of funds to projects within the Town of Miami Lakes or within District 13 and 2) the deletion of the NW 97 Avenue project with funds being reallocated to expand the scope of the NW 74 Street project.


Assistant County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 10, 2008

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(P)(1)(C)

Please note any items checked.

- _____ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- _____ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- _____ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- _____ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- _____ Budget required
- _____ Statement of fiscal impact required
- _____ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- _____ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- _____ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- _____ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(P)(1)(C)
01-10-08

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE BOARD REQUESTED MAJOR ROADWAY AND NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS LIST IN EXHIBIT 1 OF THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO DELETE THE SW 87 AVENUE, FROM SW 216 STREET TO SW 168 STREET PROJECT AND ADD THE OLD CUTLER ROAD, FROM SW 97 AVENUE TO SW 87 AVENUE AND CARIBBEAN BOULEVARD, FROM CORAL SEA ROAD TO SW 87 AVENUE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board approves the Amendment to the Board Requested Major Roadway and Neighborhood Improvement Projects list in Exhibit 1 of the People's Transportation Plan to delete the SW 87 Avenue, from SW 216 Street to SW 168 Street Project and add the Old Cutler Road, from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue and Caribbean Boulevard, from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Avenue Projects in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:


Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Dennis C. Moss
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of January, 2008. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. 

Bruce Libhaber

RESOLUTION NO. 07-089

RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) RECOMMENDING THE AMENDMENT OF THE MAJOR ROADWAY AND NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS LISTED IN EXHIBIT 1 OF THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) BY DELETING THE SW 87 AVENUE PROJECT FROM SW 216 STREET TO SW 168 STREET AND ADDING OLD CUTLER ROAD PROJECT FROM SW 97 AVENUE TO SW 87 AVENUE AND CARIBBEAN BOULEVARD PROJECT FROM CORAL SEA ROAD TO SW 87 AVENUE

WHEREAS, the CITT desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying OCITT Executive Director's memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITT, that this Trust recommends amending the Major Roadway and Neighborhood Improvement Projects listed in Exhibit 1 of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) by deleting the SW 87 Avenue Project from SW 216 Street to SW 168 Street and adding Old Cutler Road Project from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue and Caribbean Boulevard Project from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Avenue, as outlined in the corresponding document in substantially the form attached hereto and made a part hereof.

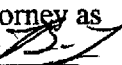
The foregoing resolution was offered by Hon. Linda Zilber, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by LtCol Antonio Colmenares and upon being put to vote, the vote was as follows:

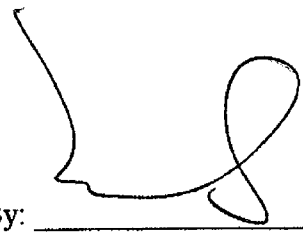
Miles E. Moss, P.E., Chairperson – Aye
Hon. Linda Zilber, Vice-Chairperson – Aye

Harold Braynon, Jr. – Absent
LtCol Antonio Colmenares – Aye
Peter L. Forrest – Aye
Hon. Jorge Rodriguez-Chomat – Absent
Paul J. Schwiep, Esq. – Absent
Hon. Anna E. Ward, Ph.D. – Aye

Marc A. Buoniconti – Aye
Jorge E. Cueto, Esq. – Aye
Hon. James A. Reeder – Absent
Rodney Sanders – Aye
Marilyn Smith – Aye

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 26th day of September 2007.

Approved by the County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency 

By: 
Executive Director

RESOLUTION NO. 07-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO REMOVE SW 87 AVENUE "ROAD WIDENING" PROJECT APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) AND REALLOCATE APPROVED FUNDS TO OLD CUTLER ROAD, CARIBBEAN BOULEVARD AND S.W. 216TH STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the People's Transportation Plan (PTP) was created to address mobility and accessibility issues in Miami-Dade County by implementing a comprehensive program of transportation improvements designed to enhance the movement and safety of people and goods on public transit and local roadways; and

WHEREAS, the half-penny transportation surtax enacted by the Miami-Dade County voters in 2002 provides the local funding source dedicated exclusively to implement the projects in the People's Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners created a Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) with certain powers over the use and expenditure of the proceeds of the County Transit System Surtax (half-penny) approved by the electorate of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Public Works Department has provided a listing of all (PTP) projects within the Town's limits That were approved prior to incorporation; and

WHEREAS, one of the approved projects is a road construction project for a section on SW 87 Avenue between SW 184 Street to SW 216 Street improvements which consists of widening SW 87 Avenue from its current two (2) lanes configuration to four (4) lanes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council is requesting that the "Road Widening" project's funds estimated at \$ 20,000,000 are reallocated for road improvements along Old Cutler Road and Caribbean Boulevard, and, to the extent funding allows, S.W. 216th Street, all Miami-Dade County Roads.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

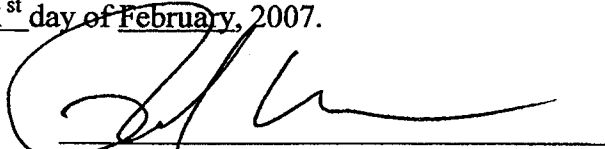
Section 2. Support. The Town of Cutler Bay Council hereby supports the removal of SW 87 Avenue "Road Widening" project from the People's Transportation Plan and the

reallocation of funds towards road improvements for Old Cutler Road and Caribbean Boulevard, and, to the extent funding allows, S.W. 216th Street.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Miami-Dade County Public Works Department.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.


PASSED and ADOPTED this 21st day of February, 2007.


PAUL S. VROOMAN, Mayor

Attest:


ERIKA GONZALEZ-SANTAMARIA, CMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE
SOLE USE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY:


WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN PASTORIZA
COLE & BONISKE, P.A.
Interim Town Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Mayor Paul S. Vrooman	<u>YES</u>
Vice Mayor Edward P. MacDougall	<u>YES</u>
Councilmember Peggy R. Bell	<u>YES</u>
Councilmember Timothy J. Meerbott	<u>YES</u>
Councilmember Ernest N. Sochin	<u>YES</u>

Town of Cutler Bay



Strategic Plan

2006-2011

Old Cutler Road
and
Caribbean Boulevard
PTP Project Initiatives

Core Values

Our Town Government's core values represent our most basic beliefs. They define what we stand for, and serve as the foundation for the development of the Cutler Bay Strategic Plan.

- **Courage to take on important projects, even in the face of risk or pessimism**
- **Regional approaches to large scale problems, mindful of the well being of our neighbors outside of Cutler Bay**

Strategic Achievement Areas & Goals

Cutler Bay's Town Government must deliver outstanding results in each strategic achievement area in order to realize our vision and achieve our mission. Each strategic achievement area contains one or more strategic goals. Each goal is supported by a set of strategic initiatives that define how the corresponding goal will be achieved. Each goal is also supported by a set of measures and milestones whose achievement will ensure progress toward the accomplishment of the corresponding goal. These strategic initiatives will be implemented, funded and tracked as part of the Town's business planning process.

Goal 2.1

The Town of Cutler Bay will be a financially responsible and accountable community.

Strategic Initiative

Explore and where appropriate use alternative funding mechanisms such as special assessment, taxing district, lease purchase, revenue bonds, general obligation bonds, and grants as a means of providing needed Town facilities, infrastructure, and programs.

Goal 3.1

The Town of Cutler Bay will provide the infrastructure needed to meet current and emerging needs of the community.

Strategic Initiative

Implement a plan for acquiring sites and the construction of Town facilities and infrastructure.

Goal 5.1

Cutler Bay will be recognized as a Town where people prefer to live, and whose residents feel a strong sense of Town identity and community pride.

Strategic Initiative

Study ways to enhance pedestrian friendliness in the Town by better signage, striping, signalization, and the possible construction of crossovers, overpasses, and bike paths.

Enhance, expand and develop Town amenities including parks and recreational facilities.

Goal 5.4

Cutler Bay will be viewed as a beautiful Town by its residents and by residents from surrounding communities.

Strategic Initiative

Develop and implement a plan for the enhancement, beautification and shoulder maintenance of major corridors (Old Cutler Rd., Caribbean Blvd., U.S.1., etc.,) leading into the Town of Cutler Bay.

ARTICLE XXXIII (P)

CUTLER RIDGE METROPOLITAN URBAN CENTER DISTRICT (CRMUCD)

Sec. 33-284.99.23 Purpose, intent and applicability.

- A. The regulations contained in this chapter and Chapter 18A, Landscape Code, Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, shall apply to this article, except as otherwise added to or modified herein.
- B. The Illustrative Master Plan (Figure 1), illustrates the citizens' vision and may be used to interpret this article. Where the Illustrative Master Plan conflicts with the text of this article, the text shall govern.
- C. The boundaries shown in Figure 1 that are labeled as 'Miami-Dade County' shall constitute the Cutler Ridge Metropolitan Urban Center Boundary Plan and are generally described as follows: from the intersection of the centerline of the SW 112 Avenue with the centerline of US 1, then south along the centerline of SW 112 Avenue to the north side of the C-1 Canal (Black Creek Canal), then west along the north side of the Black Creek Canal to the west side of the South Miami-Dade Busway, then north along the west side of the South Miami-Dade Busway to the centerline of SW 117 Avenue, then northwest along the centerline of SW 117 Avenue to the centerline of SW 114 Court, then north along the centerline of SW 114 Court to the centerline of SW 203 Terrace, then east along the centerline of SW 203 Terrace to the centerline of SW 112 Court, then south and southeast along the centerline of SW 112 Court to point of beginning.

A more detailed legal description of the boundaries follows:

Beginning at the intersection with the centerline of Black Creek Canal (C-1) and the west line of the Southeast one quarter of Section 7, Township 56 South, Range 40 East, Miami-Dade County Florida lying in SW 112th Avenue (Allapattah Road), thence westerly along the center line of Black Creek Canal (C-1) to the intersection with the East Right-of-Way of South Miami-Dade Bus way; thence north-easterly along the East Right-of-Way of South Miami-Dade Bus way to the intersection with theoretical extension of the Southwest Lot Line of Lot 1, block 12, of South Miami Heights PB.72-PG.87; thence northwest along the theoretical extension of the Southwest Lot Line of Lot 1, block 12, of South Miami Heights PB.72-PG.87 to the intersection with the West Property Line of Lot 1 (SW Cor. of lot 1) Block 12, of South Miami Heights PB.72-PG.87; thence northeast along the West lot line of lot 1, block 12, South Miami Heights, PB.72-PG.87 to the intersection of the East Boundary Line of block 12, South Miami Heights PB.72-PG87; thence north along said Boundary Line to the intersection of the West Lot Line of Lot H of the Re-Subdivision of Cutler Gate PB.70-PG.100; then northeast along Lot Lines H, G, F, E



Old Cutler Road Charrette

CHARRETTE AREA PLAN REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

OLD CUTLER ROAD CHARRETTE, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FLORIDA:
The Old Cutler Road Charrette Area Plan is the citizens' vision for the enhancement of a two and a half mile segment of Old Cutler Road. It represents the ultimate growth and form of their community and the creation of a recognizable center for the south Old Cutler area, which stretches between SW 200th Street and SW 224th Street in south Miami-Dade County.

THE OLD CUTLER ROAD MASTER PLAN GREW OUT OF A DESIGN CHARRETTE HELD FROM JUNE 21st THROUGH JUNE 28th, 2002:

The Charrette was held at the Edward Whigham Elementary School and was well attended by residents, property and business owners, representing a diverse cross-section of the community as well as County staff and elected officials, who all worked together to define the elements of this master plan. During the week, the design team

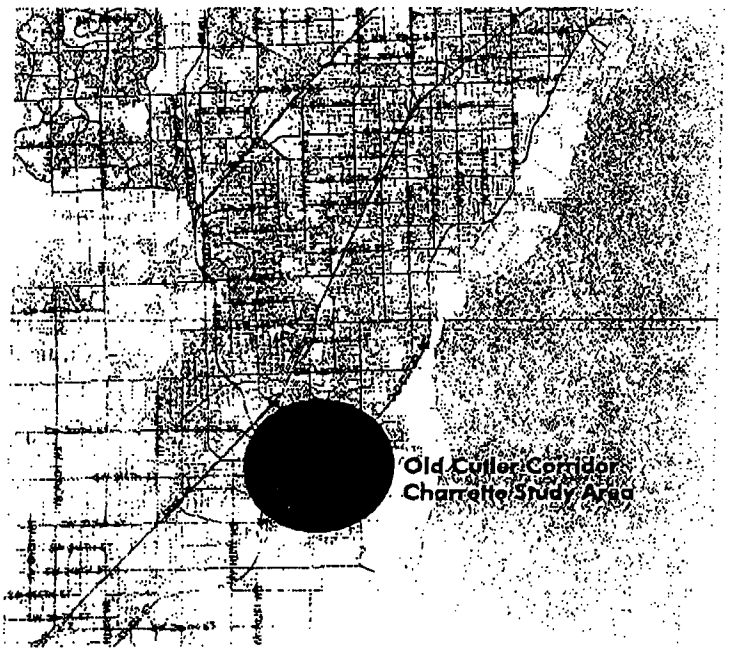
set up its studio in a storefront at the Old Cutler Town Center, where the doors remained open to the public all day. A presentation of the work in progress was held on Friday, June 28th where the community embraced the concepts included in the Charrette Area Plan. Work is documented in the form of a Charrette report and recommendations summary as a follow up to the initial public workshop.

THE CITIZENS, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL TEAM, STUDIED THE MANY CHALLENGES FACED BY THE COMMUNITY AND PROPOSED SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS:

A series of presentations by County Staff were held and during that time further citizen and professional input was taken into account. The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) passed a resolution (# R-439-04) on April 13th, 2004, thereby accepting the Old Cutler Road Charrette Area Plan Report and it's recommendations.



Above: Plan of existing conditions in the study area. **Below left:** Scenes from the public design process on Saturday, June 21st, 2002. Numerous concerned citizens from the Old Cutler area participated in the charrette at Edward Whigham Elementary. **Below right:** The Old Cutler Road Charrette study area in the context of South Miami-Dade County



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BEFORE AND AFTER:



Above: Pedestrian, lighting, and landscape improvements in the corridor.



Above: Entrance feature at SW 102 Avenue marks arrival into the Old Cutler civic district.

Old Cutler Road: "A Historic Path"

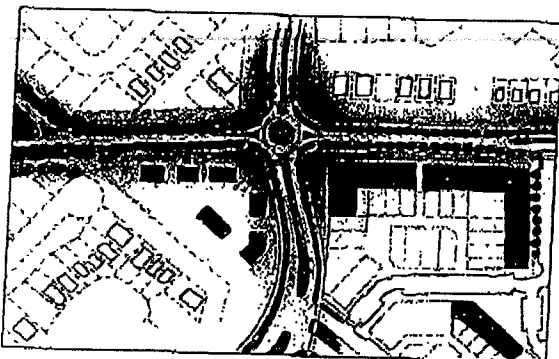
The Old Cutler Road Charrette Report contains detailed instructions that if followed, will reduce traffic congestion and allow development while restoring the historic ambiance of the road. Through the project corridor, the roadway serves commuters destined for points north as well as the retail core of the community.

The roadway was designated as historic by the State in 1974 and limits widening beyond its two-lane current condition. The proposals in this effort are focused on rebalancing the roadway toward all its users: motorists, pedestrians, transit users, and bicyclists.

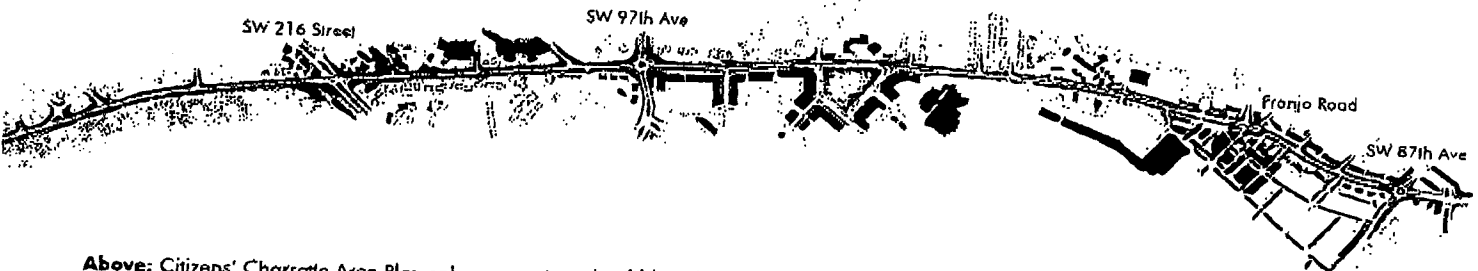
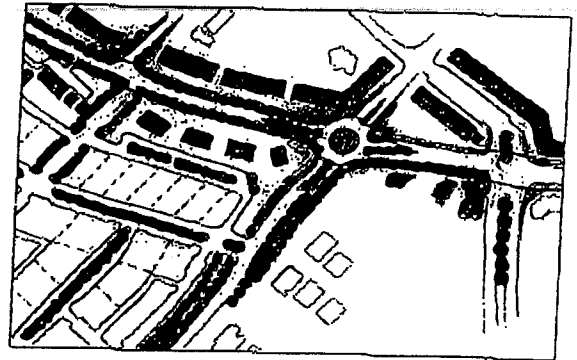
Traffic volumes on Old Cutler Road currently number 12,000 to 16,000 vehicles per day (VPD) north of SW 184th Street, while the volumes to the south approach 22,000 VPD.

Approved development proposals in the area southeast of Old Cutler Road will add approximately 3,000 new homes within the area and will result in additional traffic volumes. As new neighborhoods are built, opportunities to provide alternate access should be maximized. Such potential connections include SW 212th Street, SW 97th Avenue, SW 92nd Avenue, SW 224th Street, Franjo Road, and SW 85th Avenue.

The extensive concentration of commercial uses within the study area is unique along Old Cutler Road and also marks the end of the historic corridor. The master plan proposes to announce the culmination of the road with a unique statement that is within the road's historic parameters. A pair of roundabouts, at SW 87th Avenue and 97th Avenue will serve this function as gateways into the historic corridor.



Implementing Roundabouts:
 Left: Connecting SW 97th Avenue and creating a roundabout of Old Cutler Road
 Right: Improving the SW 87th Avenue and Old Cutler Road intersection with a roundabout
 These proposals create 'bookends' to the Old Cutler civic district and provide a mark of transition from the commercial core to the surrounding residential areas.



Above: Citizens' Charrette Area Plan enhancements to the Old Cutler Road corridor from SW 200th Street to SW 224th Street

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Citizens' Requests:

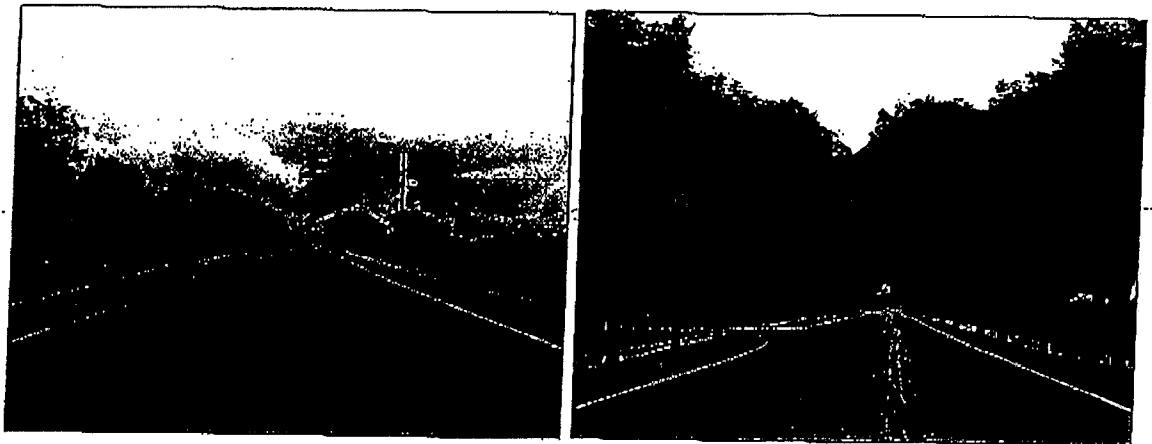
- Restore the historic character of Old Cutler Road
- Reduce congestion, improve traffic flow and safety
- Calm traffic along Old Cutler Road
- Improve intersections and build new streets
- Improve landscaping on Old Cutler Road
- Maintain and improve sidewalks and bike lanes
- Connect existing streets and parking lots
- Consolidate driveways
- Promote civic identity, create a civic district/town center
- Place an entrance feature at the start of the civic district
- Create a walkable, pedestrian-friendly environment
- Relocate Khoury League baseball fields
- Create a plaza surrounded by mixed-use buildings
- Improve drainage
- Establish architectural design guidelines

THE VISION



BEFORE AND AFTER:

From 'Potato Field' to Town Center
 The Citizens' Charrette Area Plan proposes the land east of Old Cutler Road and North of SW 212th Street become a center for the community. During the charrette, the need to define the area's identity and create a public gathering place was expressed. **Top left:** View across the triangular green along Old Cutler Road. **Above left:** View down a new street in the neighborhood that terminates on a civic building. **Above right:** View to the southeast over Old Cutler Road.



Above: Landscape and pedestrian improvements in the corridor. The Citizens' Charrette Area Plan proposes sidewalks and consistent tree planting on both sides of Old Cutler Road through the corridor to provide a comfortable environment for all users of the roadway.

Old Cutler Road Charrette

CHARRETTE AREA PLAN REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Project Goals and Objectives:

The goal of the Old Cutler Road Charrette Area Plan is to create a framework that will preserve the heritage of this historic roadway, facilitate improvement in public infrastructure and the investment in private land, enhance the livability and encourage design quality, both architectural and urban, in a manner that achieves the following objectives:

- To preserve and enhance the historic and community character along Old Cutler Road
- Reintroduce pedestrian-scale improvements in lighting and landscaping; rebalance vehicular movement in the corridor
- Providing residents additional travel options by connecting the street network east of 87th Avenue to Old Cutler Road

- To enhance safety and lower travel speeds in the neighborhoods to the northwest of Old Cutler Road by implementing roundabouts in place of traffic signals wherever appropriate
- To create a civic district/town center and public gathering space for the surrounding area
- Provide residents better access to goods and services available along Old Cutler Road without having to travel on that same road
- To increase safety along Old Cutler Road through design modifications that reduce motorists' speeds and increase pedestrian and bicycle visibility and comfort

THE CHARRETTE AREA PLAN: A COMMUNITY'S VISION



Old Cutler Road Charrette Report prepared with the assistance of: Chamber South and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. For more information contact Miami-Dade County Department of Planning and Zoning at 305-375-2842

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
Carlos Alvarez, Mayor

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Rebeca Sosa District 6	José "Pepé" Díaz District 12
Natacha Seijas District 13	
Harvey Ruvín, Clerk of Courts George M. Burgess, County Manager Murray Greenberg, County Attorney Diane O'Quinn Williams, Director Department of Planning and Zoning	

Special Thanks:
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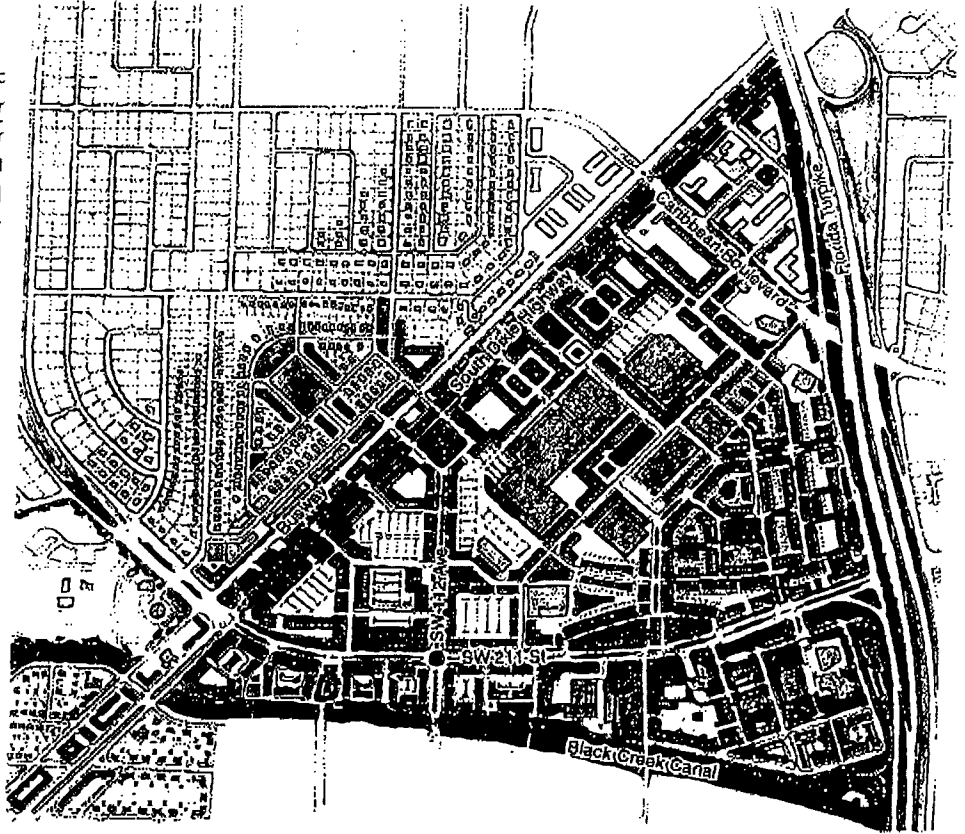
CHARRETTE AREA PLAN REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CUTLER RIDGE CHARRETTE, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA :

The Cutler Ridge master plan grew out of a public seven-day charrette, held between September 28th through October 4th, 2002. This master plan is the citizen's vision for the redevelopment of approximately 220 acres of commercial properties surrounding the Cutler Ridge Mall at the designated busway station located at U.S. 1 and 211 Street. The proposed redevelopment will provide a mixed-use high density downtown for Cutler Ridge, that will also serve the surrounding areas of South Miami-Dade County. The Charrette was held at the Cutler Ridge Mall and was well attended by over 60 residents, property and business owners, representing a diverse cross-section of the community.

THE CITIZENS, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL TEAM, STUDIED THE MANY CHALLENGES FACED BY THE COMMUNITY AND PROPOSED SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS.

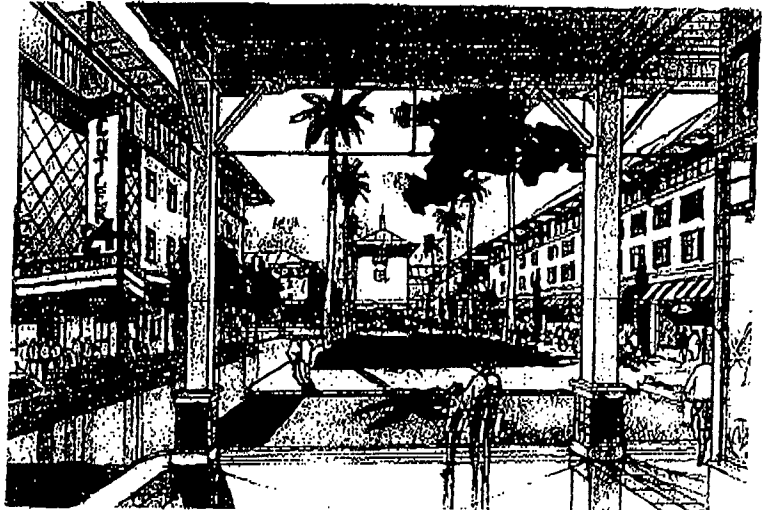
A series of presentations by County Staff were held and during that time further citizen and professional input was taken into account. The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) passed a resolution (# R-438-04) on April 13th 2004, thereby accepting the Cutler Ridge Charrette Area Plan Report and it's recommendations.



THE CHARRETTE AREA PLAN: A COMMUNITY'S VISION

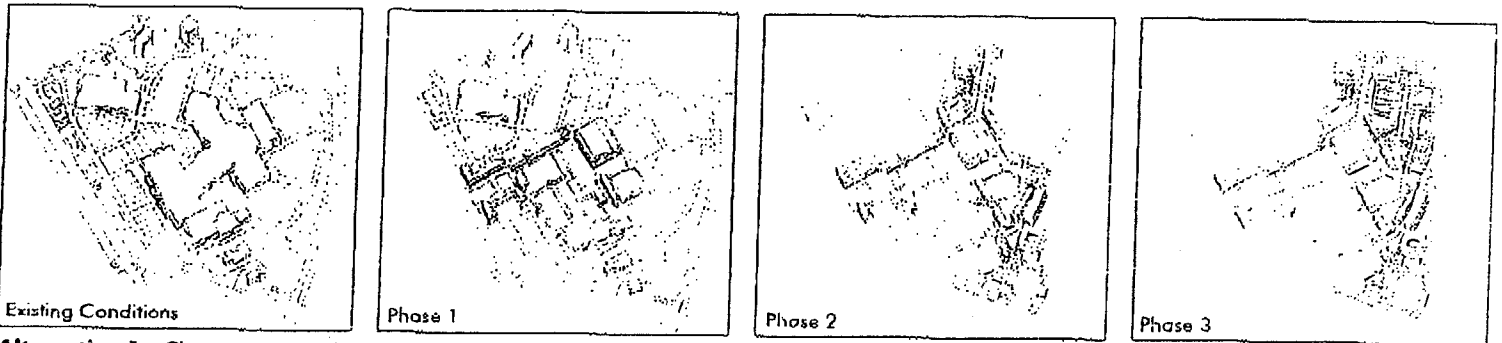


Above: Scenes from the public design process on Saturday, September 28, 2002. Citizens from the Cutler Ridge area participated in the charrette at Cutler Ridge Mall.



Above: New outdoor plaza between existing Burdines and remaining enclosed mall.

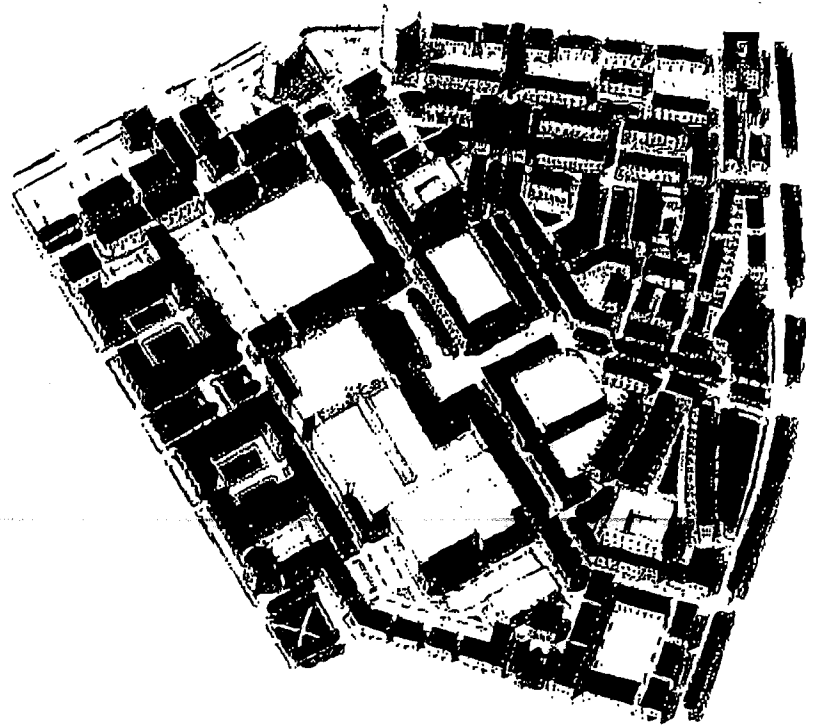
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Alternative 1: Charrette Report Proposal of possible phases of redevelopment, based on the mall property converting into a main-street scenario

From Suburbia to Downtown

The Downtown Cutler Ridge Charrette Report contains a framework for converting the underutilized mall site into an authentic recognizable town center, through a series of development phases. While preserving and strengthening the existing viable retail, the master plan proposes to build upon their success and create opportunities for additional development, uses and connections.

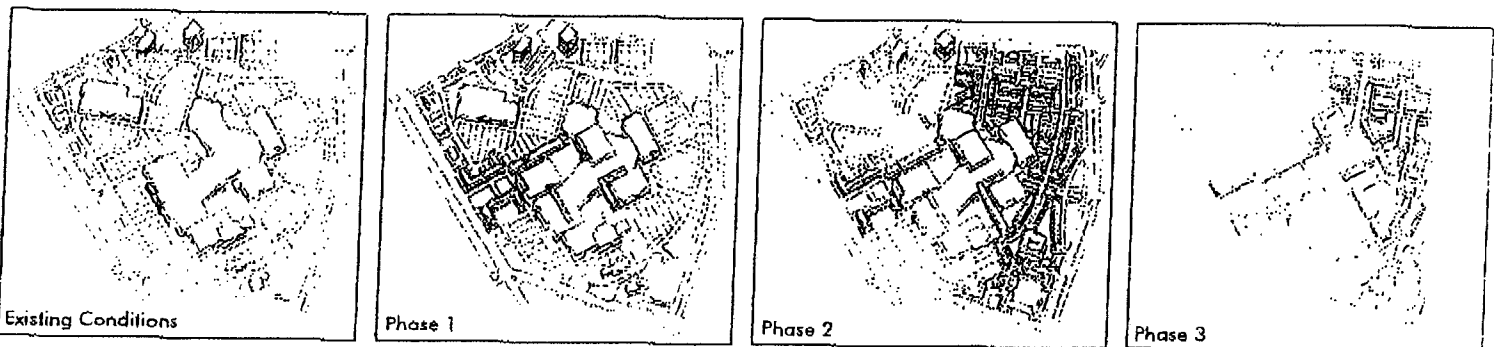


Above: Phase 4- Ultimate build out of the mall property

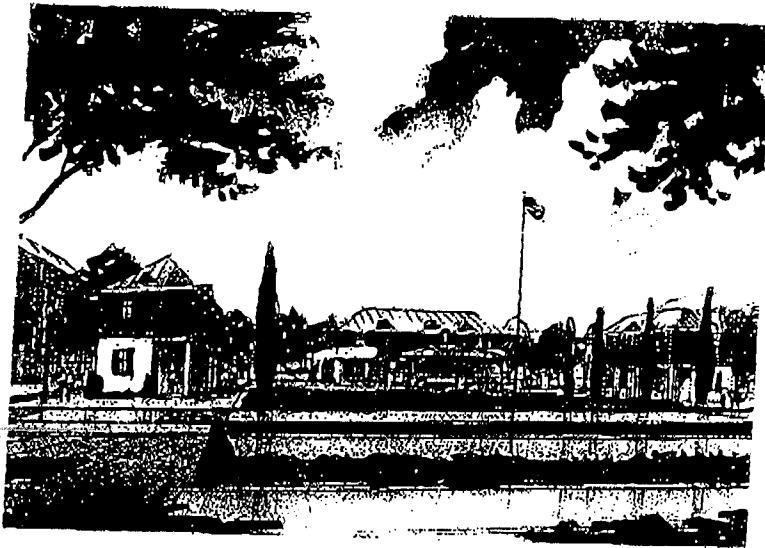
The following are considered:

Alternative 1 is based on the Charrette proposal and identifies some of the strategies put forth during the actual workshop. It calls for actually strengthening the existing retail by turning the mall area into a main street scenario. Existing Mall buildings and proposed new mixed use liner buildings would now start fronting public open spaces through the various stages of development.

Alternative 2 is based on staff recommendations which after consideration by the Steering Committee proposes an alternate scenario wherein the actual mall retains its full footprint throughout most of the proposed phases of development. The ultimate build out; Phase III, still occurs in the same manner as is being proposed in Alternative 1.



Alternative 2: Staff's Proposal of retaining the malls footprint through the various phases of redevelopment towards achieving a similar ultimate build out.



Citizens' Requests:

- Improve the U.S. 1 address to Cutler Ridge
- * Create a pedestrian friendly environment
- Announce arrival
- Evolve from an enclosed mall to a town center, over time
- Incorporate mixed-use buildings (residential, retail and office)
- Redevelop the Government Center Parcel and make better use of parking lots and vacant land
- Connect the Government Center and the Cultural Arts Center to the future downtown
- * Connect existing and future neighborhoods
- Improve transportation: local and regional
- Incorporate parks and open space into the downtown area
- Build a waterfront village
- Include a hotel, a community center and a sports center in the downtown area
- Redesign the water tower as a feature for the community
- Relocate or redesign the Target site, build a neighborhood green and re-connect the existing adjacent neighborhood

Top: Oval-shaped park at SW 211th Street

Middle: View of formal plaza between US1 and the Busway

Bottom: New residential neighborhood at southeast corner of mall property

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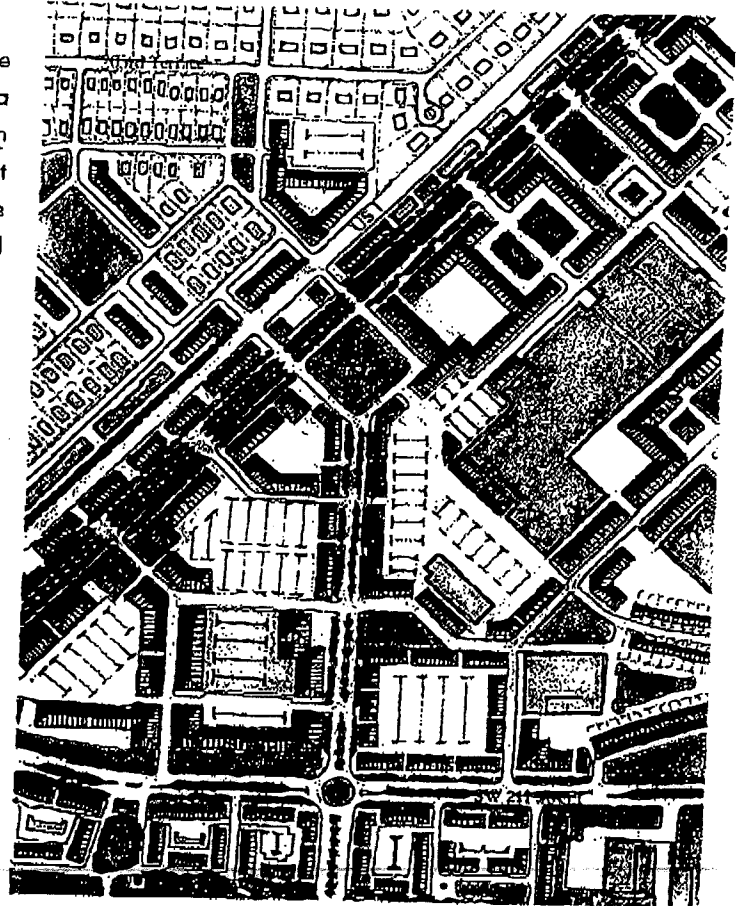
Cutler Ridge Charrette

CHARRETTE AREA PLAN REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Project Goals and Objectives:

The goal of the Downtown Cutler Ridge Master Plan is to create a framework that will develop the mall's underutilized land into a recognizable center for the community, facilitate improvement in public infrastructure and the investment in private land, complement and enhance the existing government owned facilities, enhance the livability and encourage design quality, both architectural and urban, in a manner that achieves the following objectives:

- Redevelop the mall site into a mixed-use town center, supporting the designation of Cutler Ridge as a "Metropolitan Urban Center" and, therefore, increase ridership for public transportation
- Improve the public open space
- Improve and complete the public infrastructure
- * Establish better connections
- Enhance image of US1 to announce arrival into Downtown Cutler Ridge
- Improve the existing public buildings
- Develop a framework for the Downtown Cutler Ridge Ordinance, which will provide a set of standards for all future development



Above: The master plan showing a pedestrian friendly SW 112th Avenue



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Cutler Ridge Charrette Report prepared with the assistance of:
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Special Thanks:



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RESOLUTION NO. 03-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, OPPOSING THE WIDENING OF S.W. 87 AVENUE WITHIN VILLAGE LIMITS, AS PROPOSED UNDER THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the People's Transportation Plan was adopted by all the voters of Miami-Dade County in November of 2002; and,

WHEREAS, the process of spending these voter approved funds was arrived at by reaching out to every community; and,

WHEREAS, the cities presently incorporated were made an essential partner with the County in the selection of projects and in working hand in hand with Miami-Dade County for the approval of this Transportation Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay was incorporated in 2002 and officially was not able to actively participate in the selection of these projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners has requested a number of projects by districts; and,

WHEREAS, one of the projects listed for County Commission District 8 is the widening of SW 87th Avenue from 2 to 4 lanes from SW 168th Street to SW 216th Street; and,

WHEREAS, the widening of SW 87th Ave between SW 168th Street and SW 184th St falls within the new limits of the Village of Palmetto Bay; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of the Village of Palmetto Bay object to the widening of SW 87th Ave within the Village's limits; and,

WHEREAS, the residents do not find that this project significantly improves the flow of traffic in the region, rather, diminishes significantly the residents' quality of life; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Palmetto Bay opposes the widening of SW 87th Ave within the Village's jurisdiction as delineated in the County Commission District 8 projects list.

Section 2. The Village of Palmetto Bay requests that the County include the Village in any planning for roadway expansions that lead to or within the Village boundaries. Staff shall communicate by this Resolution the wishes of the Village of Palmetto Bay to the County Commission, County Mayor and County Manager.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of March, 2003.

Attest: Meighan Pier
Meighan Pier
Village Clerk

Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.
Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Earl G. Gallop
Earl G. Gallop,
Village Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Council Member Ed Feller	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Paul Neidhart	<u>YES</u>
Council Member John Breder	<u>YES</u>
Vice-Mayor Linda Robinson	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.	<u>YES</u>

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Change Functional Classification of 87th Avenue North of 168th Street

Master Plan ID No.: 39
 Project Category: Sustainable Community
 Jurisdiction: Palmetto Bay / MDC

Project Description:

87th Avenue north of 168th Street is currently a county road. Palmetto Bay wishes to have this road revert to the Village. The road is blocked in its northward movement at the canal just north of 168th and serves no overt through traffic needs, unless the canal is bridged. Palmetto Bay wishes to make this road look more like the neighborhood street that it actually is, and discourage external traffic flow, which alternately is disruptive to 164th Street.

Palmetto Bay wishes to have this road revert to the Village

do so because 87th Avenue north of 168th Street looks as if it is a major artery. However, the road dead-ends at the canal. If the Village were to gain control of this road, it would have the opportunity to discourage traffic flows and keep them on the County roads where they belong.

Project Requirements:

Negotiate with Miami Dade County to have this facility reverted to Palmetto Bay.

Project Need and Benefits:

The 5,500 vehicles per day that access 164th Street as a cut through to US-1, are encouraged to

Project Cost:

Planning	\$10,000
Design	\$NA
Construction	\$NA

Projects



Oppose The Widening of 87th Ave North of 184th Street

Master Plan ID No.: 40

Project Category: Sustainable Community

Jurisdiction: Palmetto Bay

Project Description:

Until such time that it can be shown that widening 87th Avenue north of 184th Street will not have a negative affect on the Village, Palmetto Bay opposes this project which is currently in the LRTP.

*Palmetto Bay
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courage more traffic to that point, with no outlet, hence exacerbating cut through traffic problems along 164th Street.

Project Requirements:

As part of the Long Range Transportation Planning process, the Village should officially oppose this

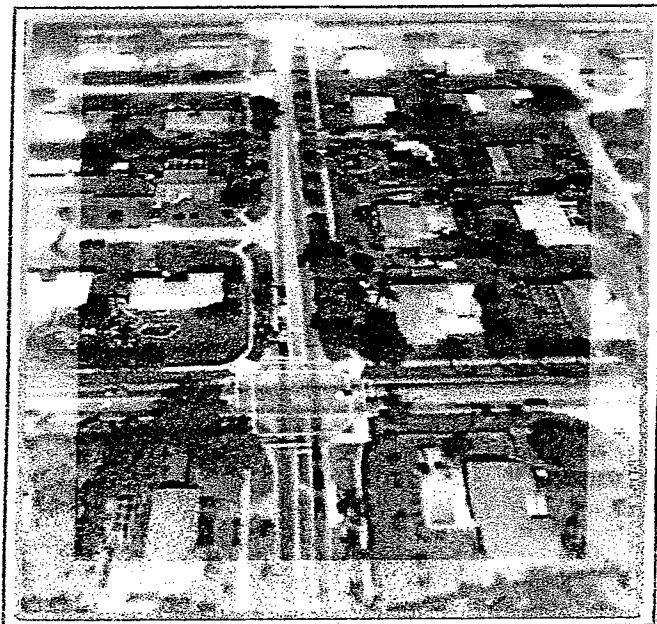
Project Need and Benefits:

Traffic volumes are expected to increase and levels of service deteriorate through the planning horizon. The LRTP wants to widen 87th Ave to four lanes from 184th Street. In the center of Palmetto Bay, traffic moves north and south on the 87th Ave, 168th St., 82nd Ave route. It is believed that four laning 87th Ave to 168th Street will en-

project until it is satisfied that there will be no adverse impacts. A copy of a resolution of opposition should be submitted with this Transportation Master Plan and as part of the LRTP public involvement.

Project Cost:

Planning	SNA
Design	SNA
Construction	SNA



RESOLUTION NO. 07-86

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, REQUESTING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ADDRESS AND PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PROJECTS OF COUNTY-WIDE CONCERN WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA; FURTHER SEEKING FAIR-SHARE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING COMMITTED; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay remains concerned with maintaining the quality of life for residents in our community; and

WHEREAS, several capital improvement projects exist within the Village limits that remain unaddressed, though they are of a County-wide nature; including, but not limited to:

- ✓ • Significant need for installation of drainage and other improvements on County-maintained roads such as (but not limited to) 87th Avenue;
- Significant needs for safety and aesthetic improvements along Old Cutler Road; and,
- Significant traffic calming and traffic signage and control along County maintained roads, and;

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County had previously committed to perform widening of SW 87 Avenue from 184 Street North; however, the Village had formally expressed its opposition as the widening of roads by the addition of traffic lanes through residential neighborhoods does not solve the transportation problem and would have negatively impacted the quality of life in those neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, redistribution of the entire proceeds, consisting of \$20 million, to other areas outside of Palmetto Bay's limits would cause significant inequity to the residents of Palmetto Bay who have a documented, but unaddressed need for infrastructure improvements as described above. Additionally, residents who live directly along those areas as well as non-village resident commuters who use those same roadways on a daily basis would be adversely impacted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:


Section 1. The Village of Palmetto Bay, Florida, requests that Miami-Dade County re-allocate the funding that would have been provided for the widening of SW 87 Avenue to capital improvement projects within the Village of Palmetto Bay that are of a county-wide concern that require immediate attention and have to-date not been addressed.

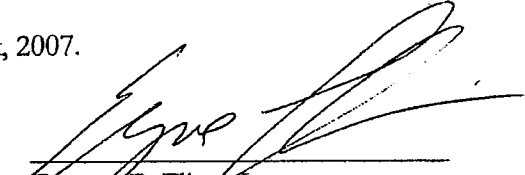
Section 2. The Village of Palmetto Bay respectfully requests the opportunity to be heard and present its case for the fair allocation of the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) funding to be used on county roadways located within the Village of Palmetto Bay, in order to demonstrate the importance of the needed infrastructure before a determination is made to divert any monies to other areas outside the originally targeted roads.

Section 3. The Village Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Miami-Dade County Commissioner Katy Sorenson and the members of the Board of County Commissioners; County Manager George Burgess, and members of the CITT Board.

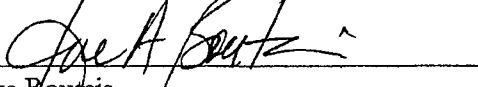
Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6TH day of August, 2007.

Attest: 
Meighan J. Rader
Village Clerk

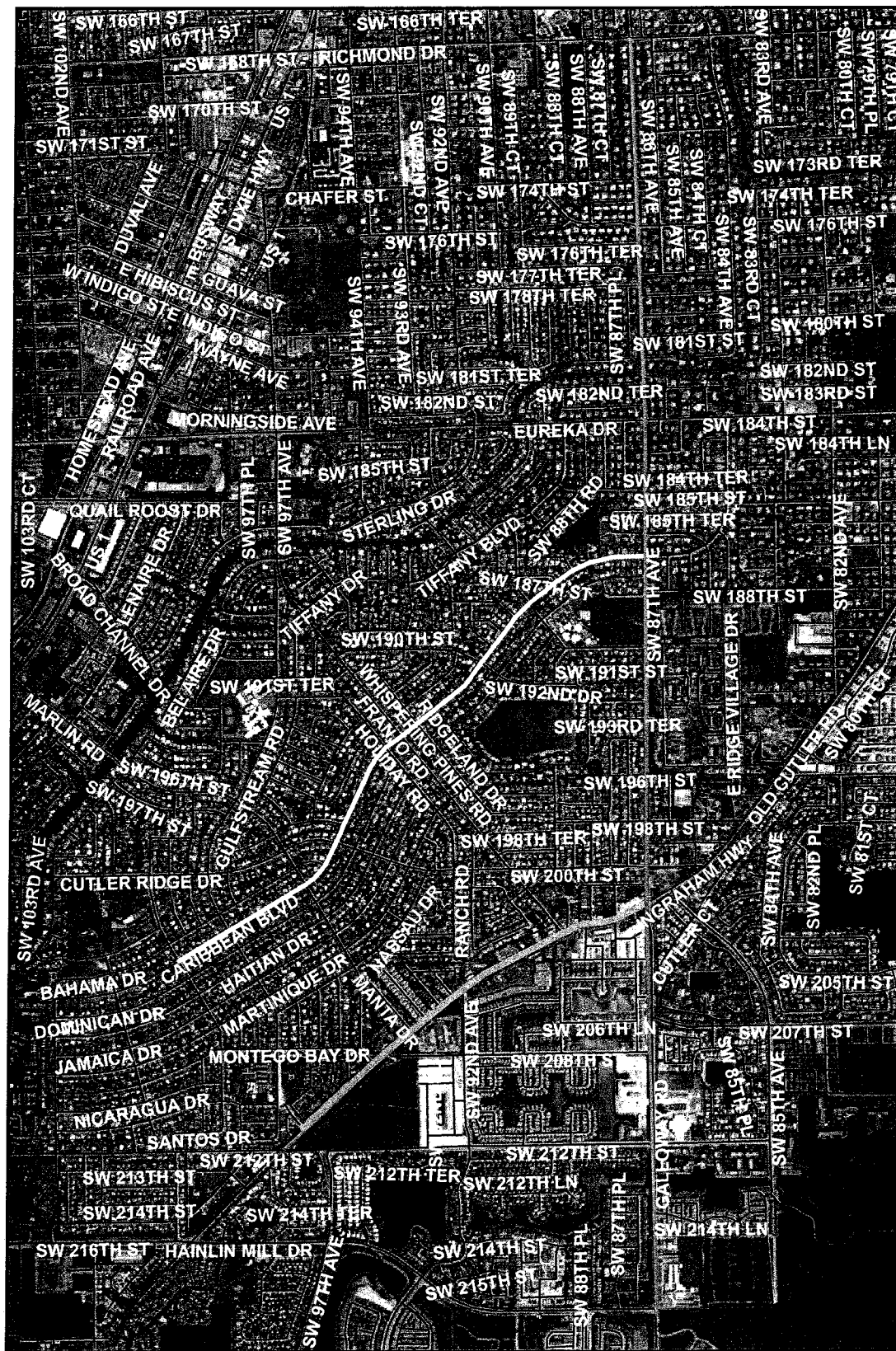

Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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Village Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Council Member Ed Feller	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Paul Neidhart	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Shelley Stanczyk	<u>YES</u>
Vice Mayor Linda Robinson	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Eugene P. Flinn, Jr.	<u>YES</u>



THIS IS NOT A SURVEY



SW 87th Avenue from SW 216Th Street to SW 168th Street.
 Old Cutler Road from SW 97 Avenue to SW 87 Avenue.
 Caribbean Blvd from Coral Sea Road to SW 87 Ave

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Prepared by: Yazmin Moreno
 September 4, 2007

