## **Transportation & Transit Department**

September 3, 2020

Re: Public Hearing Announcement

Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Neptune Road, from Partin Settlement Road to US 192

Osceola County, Florida

PS Number: 18-9905-DG, FPID Number: 445415-1

Dear Property Owner/Interested Party:

**Tawny Olore, PE**Executive Director

Osceola County invites you to a public hearing regarding Neptune Road, from Partin Settlement Road to US 192 on **Thursday, September 24, 2020, beginning at 6:00 pm.** The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

Joshua DeVries, AICP Transportation Planning

The proposed project improves the existing 2-lane roadway to a 4-lane roadway with bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The public hearing is being held to present information and obtain public input.

**Kathy Lee, PE** Traffic Operations

Osceola County is offering two ways for the community to participate in the public hearing. Interested persons may join the Virtual Public Hearing (VPH) from a computer, tablet or cell phone. Or, they may participate in person by going to the Osceola Heritage Park Events Center, St. Cloud Room, 1901 Chief Osceola Trail, Kissimmee, FL 34744. All participants, regardless of platform they choose, will participate in the same live public hearing.

**Todd Hudson, PE**Transportation Engineering

A VPH is a free live presentation or webinar over the internet. If you wish to participate in the VPH online from a computer, tablet, or mobile device, registration is requested (but only required if providing verbal comments over the phone) in advance by going to the project website (<a href="www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com">www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com</a>). Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the VPH online. Information about connecting to the VPH will also be posted on-line at the project website 72 hours in advance of the meeting. In order to provide verbal comments during the VPH, or for participants who are unable to view the webinar, they can participate in the meeting by calling: (407) 205-0551, passcode: 301797.

Rene LaPorte
Construction

For those who choose to participate in person, the County requests advance registration to ensure all attendees are accommodated safely and according to social distancing guidelines. Per Osceola County ordinances, attendees will be required to wear face coverings while in public places and to practice social distancing and enhanced sanitation practices. Attendees who are not feeling well should not attend the in-person meeting. To

**Gary Yeager** Traffic Services

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register for the in-person option, please contact Mr. Clif Tate, P.E., Project Manager, at (407) 427-1628 or Clif.Tate@Kimley-Horn.com.

The VPH and in-person public hearing location open at 6:00 pm. A formal PowerPoint presentation will begin promptly at 6:45 pm followed by a formal public comment period. If joining online, please provide adequate log-in time to view the presentation in its entirety.

All meeting materials, including the presentation, will be available on the project website at <a href="https://www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com">www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com</a> by September 26, 2020.

Osceola County is sending notices to all property owners, business owners, interested persons and organizations to provide the opportunity to give comments to the County regarding the Neptune Road project. The public hearing gives everyone an opportunity to express their views about the proposed modifications. While comments about the project are accepted at any time, please send your comments by October 8, 2020 to be included in the records for this public hearing.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to Osceola County's compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Johannis Narvaez, Manager, Human Resources Department, at Johannis.Narvaez@Osceola.org.

Persons who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Mr. Clif Tate, P.E., Project Manager, at (407) 427-1628 or <a href="mailto:Clif.Tate@Kimley-Horn.com">Clif.Tate@Kimley-Horn.com</a>, at least seven (7) days prior to the public hearing.

A copy of the project newsletter (available in both English and Spanish) is enclosed and includes a location map for the in-person public hearing, project limits, and other important information. These materials are also available on the project website at <a href="https://www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com">www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com</a>.

The Type 2 Categorical Exclusion, along with other pertinent information developed by Osceola County, will be available for public review on the project website (<a href="www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com">www.lmproveNeptuneRoad.com</a>) as well as from September 3, 2020 through September 24, 2020 at the Hart Memorial Central Library, 211 East Dakin Avenue, Kissimmee, FL 34741. These materials will also be available at the in-person hearing site from 6:00 pm until the end of the hearing.

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We encourage you to participate in the Neptune Road public hearing. If you have any questions or comments about the project, please contact Mr. Clif Tate, P.E., Project Manager, at (407) 427-1628 or <a href="mailto:clif.Tate@Kimley-Horn.com">Clif.Tate@Kimley-Horn.com</a>.

Sincerely,

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Joshua DeVries, AICP Director of Planning/Senior Planner

Enclosure: Project Newsletter (in both English and Spanish)