PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	November 7, 2023	[X]	Consent	[]	Regular
			Workshop	[]	Public Hearing
Department:	Engineering and Public Works		_		
Submitted By:	Engineering and Public Works				
Submitted For:	Roadway Production Division				

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to adopt: a Resolution declaring the acquisition of fee simple right-of-way designated as Parcel 102 and a temporary construction easement designated as Parcel 302 necessary for the construction of roadway improvements to extend Congress Avenue from Northlake Boulevard to Alternate A1A (Project).

SUMMARY: Adoption of the Resolution will initiate eminent domain proceedings pursuant to Chapters 73, 74, 127, and Section 337.27, Florida Statutes, as amended, against two parcels having a total appraised value of \$343,100. The parcels are necessary to construct a new typical three lane roadway with shoulders, curb and gutter, sidewalks, a roundabout, and drainage for the Project. The Project will be constructed in two phases, and these parcels are needed for construction of the second phase. The property owner has not accepted the offer to purchase made by Palm Beach County (County) and attempts to negotiate the purchase have been unsuccessful. Eminent domain proceedings are necessary to acquire the parcels at this time in order to expedite construction of the Project. This Project is included in the Five Year Road Program. District 1 (DO)

Background and Justification: The acquisition of Parcels 102 and 302 is for a public purpose and necessity, which is deemed to be in the best interest of the County. The Engineering and Public Works Department recommends adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

Attachments:

1. Location Map

2. Resolution for Parcels 102 and 302 with Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" (2)

Recommended by:

County Engineer

Date

Approved by:

Assistant County Administrator

Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Capital Expenditures _	\$343,100	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Operating Costs	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
External Revenues	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Program Income (County	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
In-Kind Match (County	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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# ADDITIONAL FTE					
POSITIONS (Cumulative)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes V No

Budget Account No:

Fund 3501 Dept 361

Unit 1369 Object 6120

Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Road Impact Fee Zone 1

Congress Ave/Northlake to Alt. AlA

Impact Fee Project Description

This Resolution to initiate eminent domain proceedings is necessary to undertake right-of-way acquisition to extend Congress Avenue northward from Northlake Blvd to Alternate A1A. The project includes the new construction of three (3) roadway lanes and a roundabout which will provide additional roadway capacity needed to serve new development within Impact Fee Zone 1. Use of Impact Fees is in accordance with Article 13, Chapter A, Section 9 and Chapter H, Section 4 of the ULDC.

Number of Parcels Going Into Suit:

2

Right-of-Way:

1

Temporary Construction Easement: Pending BCC Approval, the asset number willbe: 108098**

Oil Parcels: ROW 102; PCN 68-43-42-17-00-000-3030; Cost \$ 322,400.00 TCE 302; PCN 68-43-42-17-00-000-3030; Cost 20,700.00 M&., FAMO, OFMB 10/5/23

Estimated Total Acquisition Cost

\$ 343,100.00

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

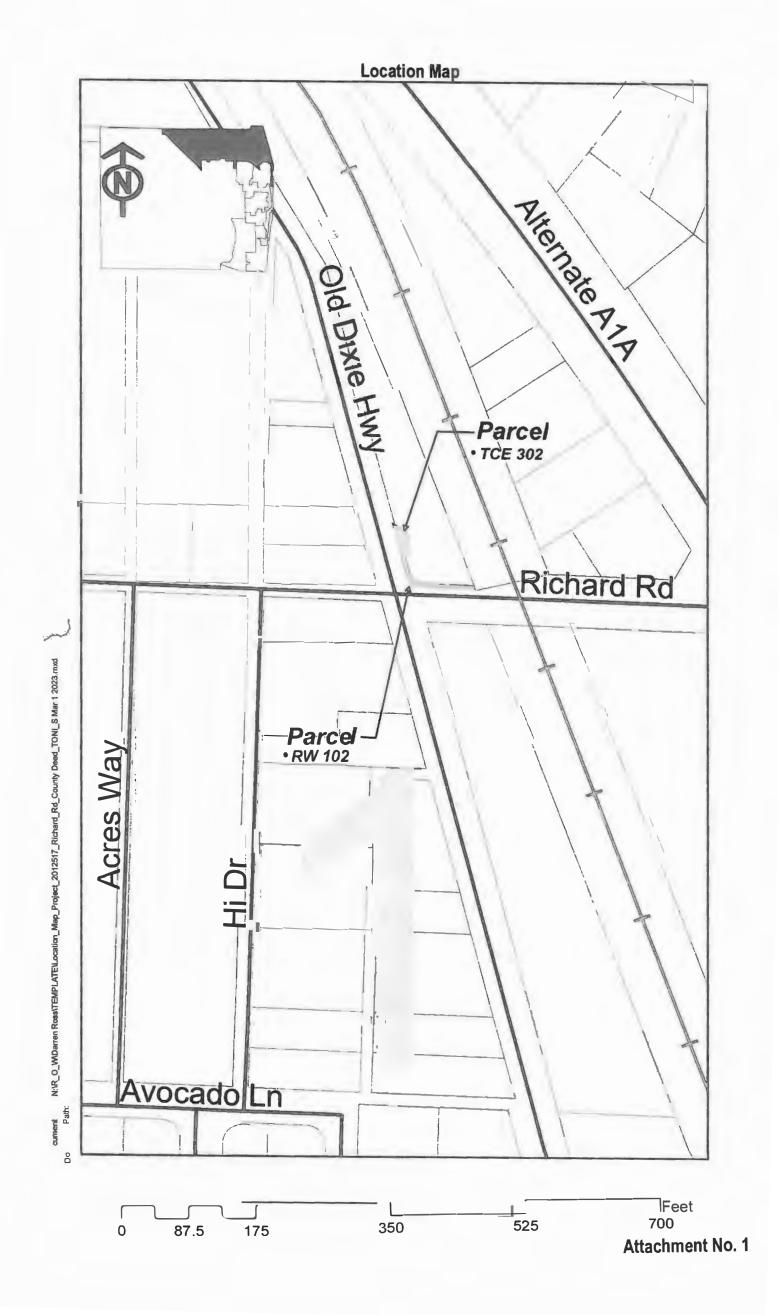
A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

B. Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.



RESOLUTION NO. R-2023 -

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE ACQUISITION OF FEE SIMPLE RIGHT-OF-WAY AND A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT DESIGNATED AS PARCELS 102 AND 302 NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO EXTEND CONGRESS AVENUE FROM NORTHLAKE BOULEVARD TO ALTERNATE A1A, TO BE FOR A PUBLIC USE AND PURPOSE, AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF APPRAISERS AND OTHER EXPERTS AND THE FILING OF EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS.

WHEREAS, the Palm Beach County (County) Engineer has recommended the acquisition of fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement, designated as Parcels 102 and 302, on the property described in **Exhibit "A"**, to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC); and

WHEREAS, the parcels are necessary for the construction to extend Congress Avenue from Northlake Boulevard to Alternate AlA (Project); and

WHEREAS, the funds are available for the acquisition of fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement designated as Parcels 102 and 302; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has not accepted the offer to purchase made by the County; and

WHEREAS, the BCC is exercising its authority of Eminent Domain pursuant to Chapters 73, 74, 127, and Section 337.27, Florida Statutes, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in determining to proceed with the construction and improvement of the Project, and determining the Project's location, including Parcels 102 and 302, the BCC has considered the required factors pursuant to Florida law, including safety, costs, alternate routes or methodologies, long range plans, and the environment, as applicable to these parcels, more fully described in **Exhibit "B"**; and

WHEREAS, after considering the factors as set forth above, the BCC has determined that the acquisition of fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement designated as Parcels 102 and 302 on property which is more fully described in **Exhibit "A"**, is necessary for the construction and improvement of the Project, and is for a public use and purpose deemed to be in the best interest of the County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed construction uses and purposes of Parcels 102 and 302, and the duration of Parcel 302 are more fully described in **Exhibit "B"**; and

WHEREAS, the construction limits shall not extend beyond the limits as outlined in Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement on property described in **Exhibit "A"** to be acquired through Eminent Domain as authorized by this Resolution, are not being acquired for the purpose of abating or eliminating public nuisances, slum or blighted conditions, and are subject to any applicable conveyance restrictions pursuant to Florida law, to the extent they may apply; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish the acquisition of Parcels 102 and 302, the County Engineer and the County Attorney, using outside counsel to the extent they deem appropriate, are authorized to take legal action, including the filing of Eminent Domain Proceedings, and to employ real estate appraisers and other experts deemed necessary to accomplish this purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

- 1. The BCC adopts and ratifies those matters set forth in the foregoing recitals.
- 2. The County Engineer and County Attorney, using outside counsel to the extent they deem appropriate, are authorized and directed to proceed to take all necessary steps, including the hiring of accountants, appraisers, or other experts and witnesses, for the County to acquire in its own name by donation, purchase, or Eminent Domain Proceedings, the fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement on the real property described in **Exhibit "A"**, and prepare all papers, pleadings, and other

instruments required for that purpose, and to see that all Eminent Domain Proceedings are prosecuted to judgment.

3. The County Engineer and County Attorney, using outside counsel to the extent they deem appropriate, are hereby further authorized and directed to take such further actions as are reasonably required to fully accomplish the purposes herein above directed, including correcting minor errors in the description of any real property described in **Exhibit "A"** so long as the property does not change, that may be necessary to fully accomplish those purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property described in **Exhibit "A"** is to be used for the following public use and purpose: fee simple right-of-way and a temporary construction easement necessary for the construction and improvement of the Project.

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District 2:	Gregg K. Weiss		
District 3:	Michael A. Barnett		
District 4:	Marci Woodward		
District 5:	Maria Sachs		
District 6:	Sara Baxter		
District 7:	Mack Bernard		
The Mayor	thereupon declared the Resoluti	ion duly passed and adopted this _	day of
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EXHIBIT A - PBC PROJECT NO.2012517

A PARCEL OF LAND FOR ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY PURPOSES IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N.W.1/4), OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (S.W.1/4), OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 43 EAST, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: Exhibit A Page 1 of 6

BEGIN AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF OLD DIXIE HIGHWAY, WITH THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RICHARD ROAD, AS SHOWN ON OLD DIXIE HWY. & RICHARD ROAD MAINTENANCE MAP, RECORDED IN ROAD PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 131, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY,

THENCE ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY, N14°56'00"W FOR 22.35 TO A POINT OF TANGENT CUSP WITH A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTHEAST, HAVING A RADIUS OF 30.00 FEET;

THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY, ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE LEFT, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 73"21'46" FOR 38.41 FEET TO A POINT OF TANGENT CUSP ON THE SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RICHARD ROAD; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY, N8847'46"W FOR 22.35 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 94 SQUARE FEET (0.002 ACRES), MORE OR LESS.

- 1) BASELINE STATIONING IS BASED ON A ROADWAY PLAN FOR CONGRESS AVENUE EXTENSION, RICHARD ROAD PORTION, PREPARED BY KIMLEY-HORN INC., PALM BEACH COUNTY PROJECT No.2012517.
- 2) STATE PLANE COORDINATES:

FLORIDA:

- A. COORDINATES SHOWN ARE GRID
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- D. LINEAR UNIT US SURVEY FOOT
- E. COORDINATE SYSTEM 1983 STATE PLANE J. ROTATION EQUATION: NONE
- F. TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION
- G. ALL DISTANCES ARE GROUND EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN AS GRID
- H. SCALE FACTOR 1.0000440
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- 3) THE RIGHT-OF-WAY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PALM BEACH COUNTY ON MARCH 7, 2013 AND JANUARY 10, 2014, HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THIS OFFICE. THIS OFFICE HAS FOUND NO GAPS, GORES, OVERLAPS, OR MISSING SEGMENTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDOR PROVIDED. NO SEARCH OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY THIS OFFICE. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THERE ARE DEEDS OF RECORD, UNRECORDED DEEDS, EASEMENTS, RESTRICTIONS OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS WHICH COULD AFFECT THE SUBJECT PROPERTY WHICH ARE UNKNOWN TO THE SIGNING SURVEYOR AND ARE NOT SHOWN ON THIS LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND SKETCH.
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- Lt. LEFT OF CENTERLINE
- Rt. RIGHT OF CENTERLINE
- SEC. SECTION DWG. - DRAWING
- R RADIUS
- Δ CENTRAL ANGLE
- A ARC LENGTH
- PI POINT OF INTERSECTION PC - POINT OF CURVATURE
- PT POINT OF TANGENCY
- 5) BEARINGS ARE BASED ON S01'35'37"W (GRID, NAD '83, 1990 ADJUSTMENT) ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE S.W.1/4 OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 43 EAST.

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John E

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JOHN E. PHILLIPS, III

Date: 2021.11.09 10:41:57 **Phillips**

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR

STATE OF FLORIDA No. 4826

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11/9/21-PBC 9/28/21 COMMENTS

E-Mail: info@brown-phillips.com

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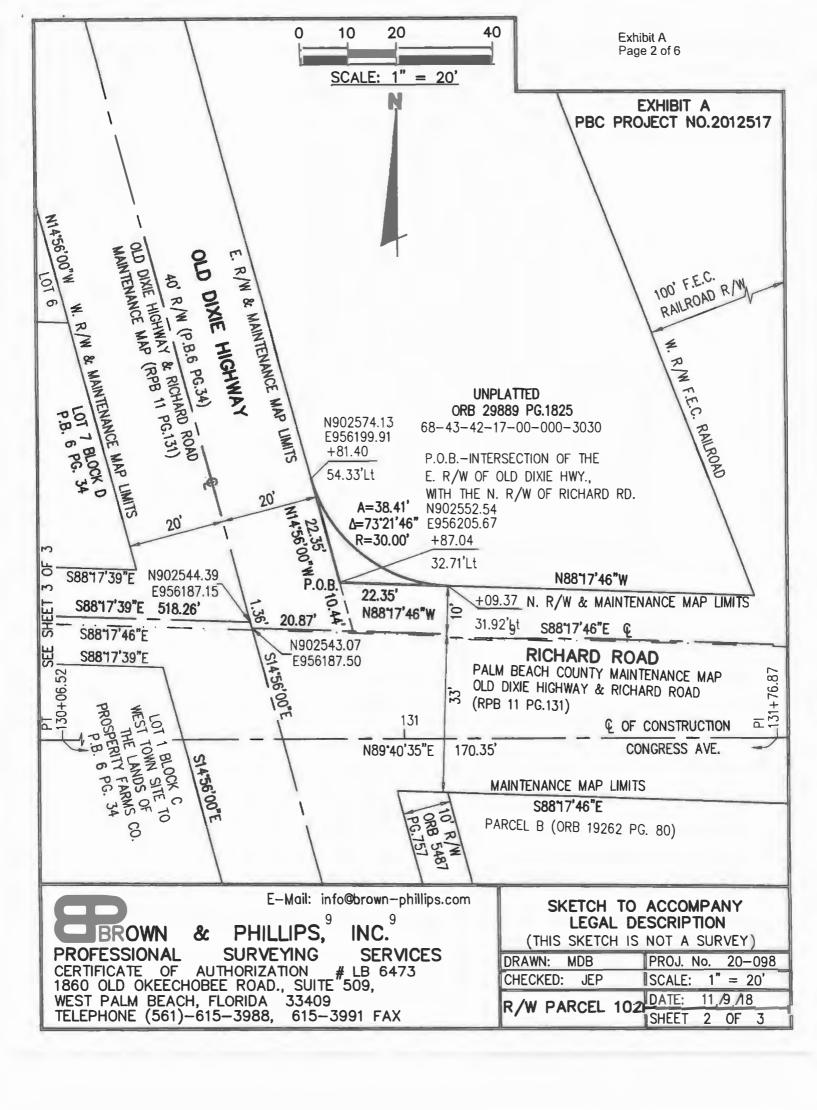
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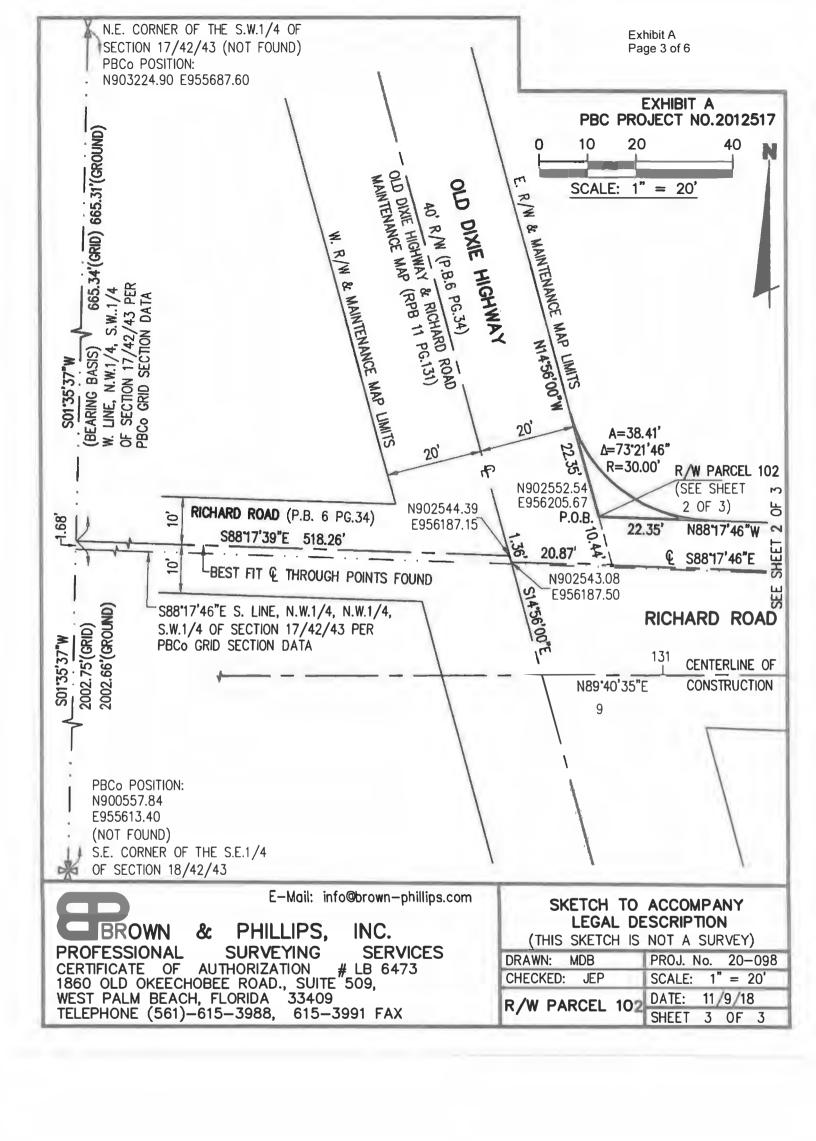
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NOTES:

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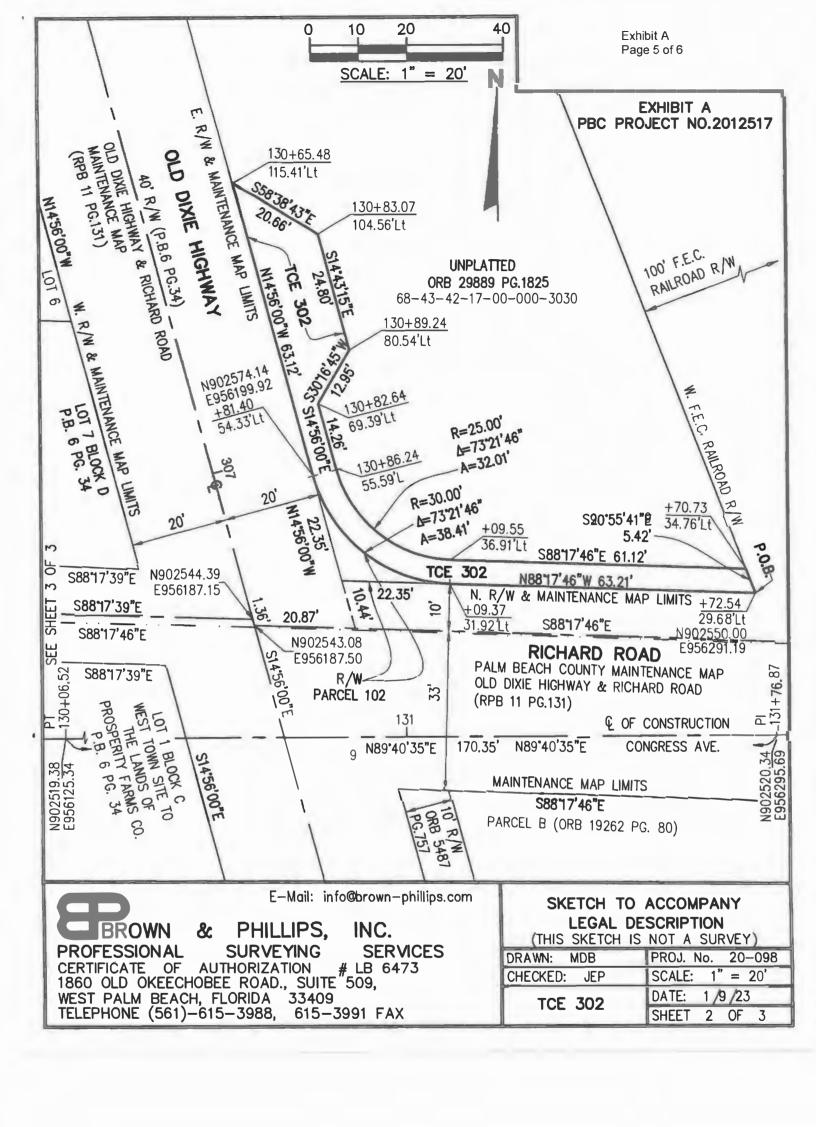
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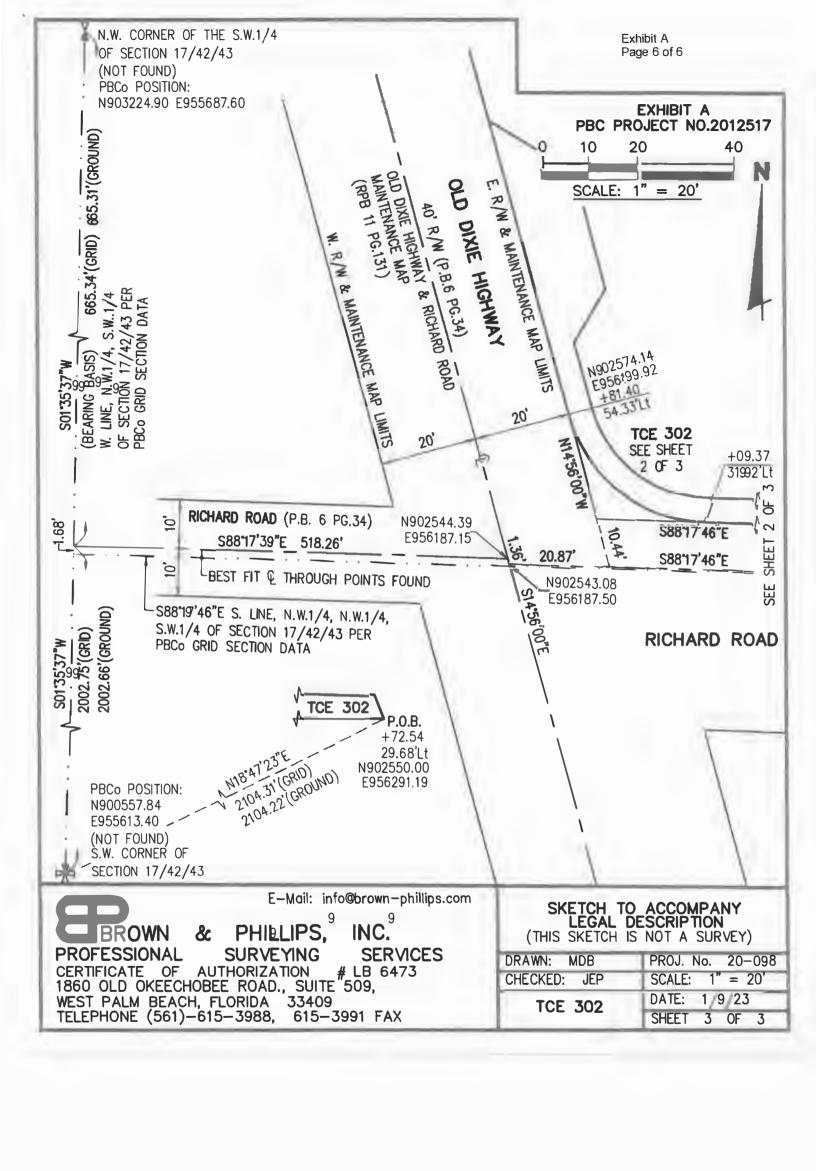


EXHIBIT "B"

CONGRESS AVENUE EXTENSION, NORTHLAKE BOULEVARD-TO ALTERNATE A1A PALM BEACH COUNTY, PROJECT #2012517

SAFETY

Congress Avenue from Northlake Boulevard to Alternate A1A (Project) will be constructed as a new three lane roadway link. This 0.5 mile Project will add a center turn lane, curb and gutter, sidewalks, a roundabout and drainage, and is located through a mix of residential and commercial areas. This Project will improve the overall safety for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians, and will improve the operation of intersections in the area.

The design of the Project was done in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways (The Florida Greenbook), as adopted and approved by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

COST

The cost of improving this portion of Congress Avenue was estimated prior to beginning design. The appropriate funding for design, right-of-way acquisition and construction was budgeted in the County's Five Year Road Program. During the design of the roadway, all reasonable efforts were made to minimize the areas to be acquired through Eminent Domain.

After considering Safety, Alternate Routes and Methodologies, Planning, and Environmental factors, the cost of the acquisition of these parcels fits into the planned funding for this Project, and the acquisition of these parcels is necessary, in furtherance of this public Project.

ALTERNATE ROUTES

The segment of Congress Avenue that extends from Belvedere Road to Northlake Boulevard is a heavily traveled north/south roadway that passes through residential and commercial areas. The Palm Beach County Comprehensive Plan (Thoroughfare Right-of-Way-Identification Map) has for many years defined this roadway as a route required to meet traffic demands at full development of the County. Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Plan has been prepared to meet the requirements of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, and Rule 9J-5, F.A.C., and to address the needs and interests of the County's residents and visitors. This portion of Congress Avenue will traverse both the City of Palm Beach Gardens and the Village of North Palm Beach. Construction of an alternate north-south route through this area would disrupt or displace numerous residential and commercial properties, be more costly, and result in unnecessary impacts to the environment.

LONG RANGE PLANNING

The development of this Project is in conformance with Palm Beach County's 2045 Long Range Transportation System Plan. The 2045 Long Range Transportation System Plan is a 25-year forecast based on projected regional needs identified through the process of forecasting travel demand, evaluating system alternatives and selecting those options which best meet the mobility, safety, and other needs of the County, considering financial, environmental and social constraints. The Plan serves as the preliminary tool used for transportation planning in Palm Beach County.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Congress Avenue is an established roadway corridor. The limits of the Project are bordered by existing residential and commercial areas, and the proposed improvements will have minimal negative impacts to the environment. This roadway improvement project will be permitted through the appropriate environmental regulatory agencies as applicable.

EXHIBIT "B"

Following is a more detailed outline of the reasons for acquisition needed for the improvement of Congress Avenue within the previously stated project limits:

ACQUISITION FOR FEE SIMPLE RIGHT-OF-WAY PARCEL 102

Currently, Palm Beach County owns a road right-of-way interest on Richard Road that varies in width from approximately 20 feet to 70 feet, from Park Lane to Alternate A1A. The parcel to be acquired abuts Richard Road and Old Dixie Highway, represents acquisition outside of the existing right-of-way, and is required to construct a new three lane roadway with shoulders, curb and gutter, sidewalks, a roundabout and drainage improvements.

ACQUISITION FOR TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT PARCEL 302

The temporary construction easement is needed for access and all related construction activities reasonably required for driveway reconstruction, sloping, tying, grading, and to harmonize the road construction with the adjacent property. These described works to be performed on Parcel 302 shall not extend beyond the limits outlined in the legal description of said property, as "Exhibit A", attached to the Resolution relating to Parcel 302. The temporary construction easement shall expire upon the earlier of the acceptance of the construction of the Project by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners or three years from the date of its acquisition by virtue of the deposit of funds, pursuant to an Order of Taking.