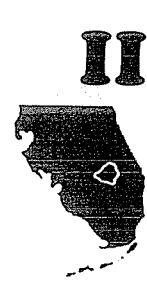


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January 13, 2009



TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Design Team

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Meeting Announcement and Agenda

The Design Team will meet on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. in the Charles F. Justice Conference Room, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, Florida.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

I. Introductions (if necessary)*

II. Agenda Approval

APPROVE AGENDA

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III. Sixth Street Rail Trail Project- Phase 1
60 Percent Design Plans #

DEVELOP MTPO
RECOMMENDATIONS

City of Gainesville staff will discuss the proposed 60 percent design plans for this project

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IV. Archer Road Safety Project #

NO ACTION REQUIRED

FDOT staff will discuss a proposed median modification project

V. Upcoming Meetings

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A. Next MTPO meeting - March 9th at 3:00 pm (Jack Durrance)

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B. Next Design Team meeting - February 17th at the NCFRPC (if needed)

VI. Information Items

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A. Design Team Membership List & Project Status

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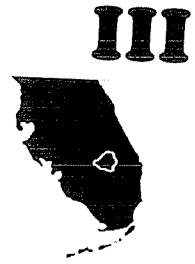
B. Design Team meeting summary (from the last meeting)

If you have any questions regarding the agenda items or enclosed materials, please contact Mike Escalante, AICP, at 955-2200, extension 114.

- * - No handout included with the enclosed agenda material.
- # - Materials in full color are provided on the ncfrpc.org transportation/mtpo website

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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)
Design Team

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Sixth Street Rail Trail Project- Phase 1- 60 Percent Design Plans

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Develop MTPO recommendation.

BACKGROUND

At its November meeting, the MTPO approved the W 6th Street Rail/Trail Project Scoping Plans with one request. This request was for consideration for the rail/trail being located as far as possible from the street pavement south of SW 2nd Avenue. Enclosed is a copy of the PowerPoint presentation of the rail/trail project (see Exhibit 1) that includes engineering drawings for Phase 1 of the Sixth Street Rail Trail Project.

As noted at the October Design Team meeting, the City of Gainesville has consolidated the reconstruction of the SW 2nd Avenue at SW 6th Street intersection for a roundabout with Phase One of the rail/trail project. In addition, the rail/trail project, which is partially federally-funded, has been bifurcated into the following two phases:

1. Phase 1- roundabout at SW 2nd Avenue and bicycle/pedestrian trail from SW 4th Street to south of W University Avenue- City funded; and
2. Phase 2- bicycle/pedestrian trail from south of W University Avenue to NW 16th Avenue- City and Federally funded.

The original project had a northern terminus of NW 23rd Avenue. However, environmental concerns with the Florida Pest Control site has resulted in that terminus being NW 16th Avenue. Since the City's Police Department campus expansion plans impact the Phase 2 project area, Phase 2 Scoping Plans will be presented to the MTPO and its Advisory Committees at a later date.

SW 2nd Avenue Roundabout/SW 6th Street Rail Trail- Programmed Funds Timeline				
2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013
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Phase 2				
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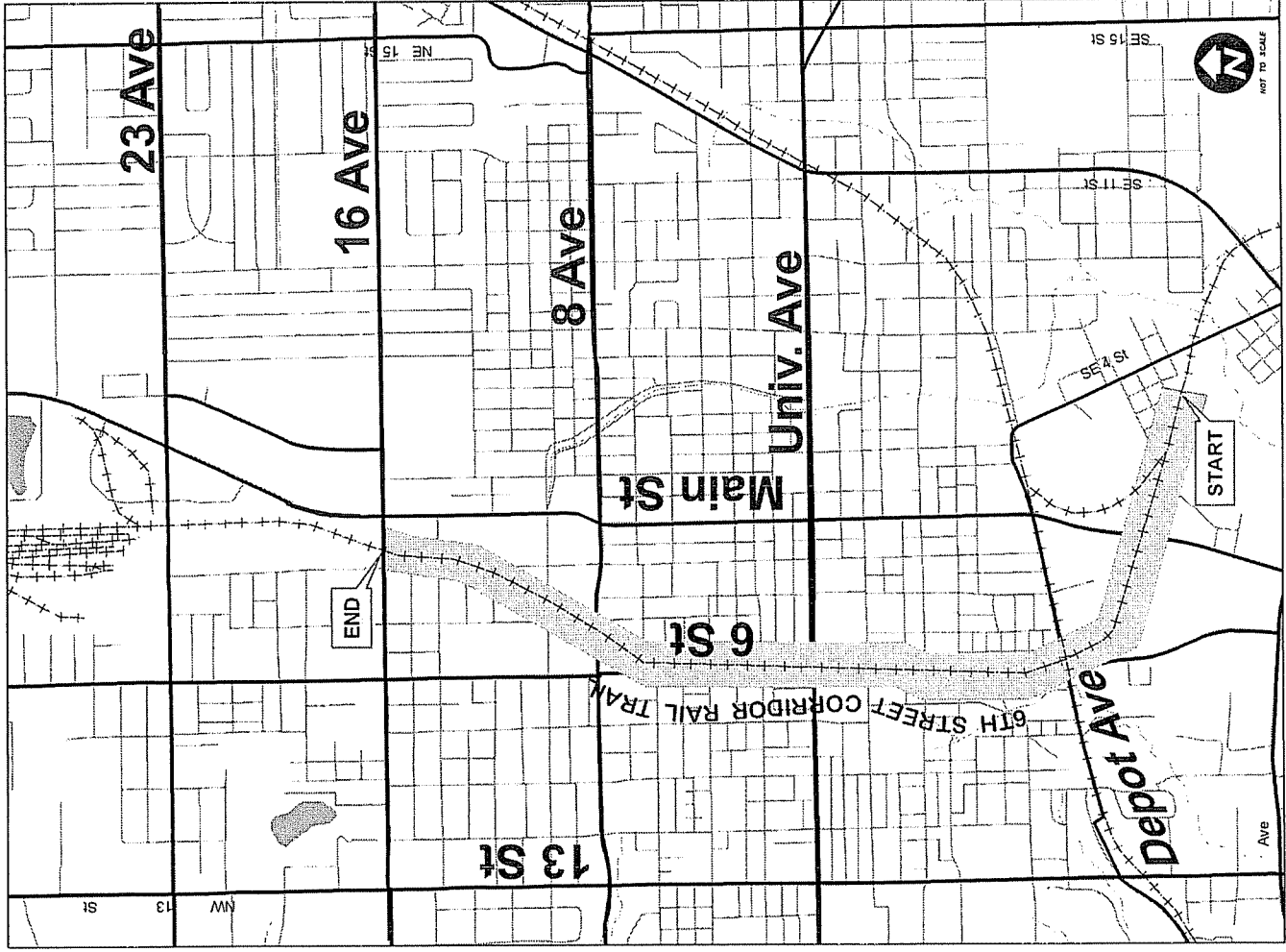
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EXHIBIT 1

Sixth Street Corridor Rail Trail

60% Plan Level Review

Sixth Street Corridor Rail Trail Project Review



*FHWA / FDOT Funding

- Requires a Local Agency Program Project Agreement
- No Reimbursable Funds May Be Spent Before LAPPA
- No Reimbursable Funds May Be Spent Before 7-1-10
- All Federal Contracting Regulations Must Be Followed
- Project Construction May Be Bifurcated to Allow City to Fund Un-Reimbursable Construction Before 7-1-10.

Land Rights

- State Purchased the CSX Right-of-Way
- City-State Lease to allow City to Construct and Maintain Rail-Trail Facilities
- Additional needs on west side of SW 2nd Avenue

Project Team

The Public Works Department has assembled the Project Team. The Team consists of stake holders in this project and includes various City Departments, advisory board representatives, and others.

Project Team

Current Project Team Consists of:

- Project Design Consultant Team
- Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs – Tree and Landscape Interests
- GRU – Gas, Electric, Water/Wastewater, & GRUCom
- Public Works – Civil/Traffic Engineering, Solid Waste Management, RTS, Operations, & Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator
- Gainesville Police Department & Gainesville Fire Rescue
- University of Florida
- MTPO – Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board

Note: The MTPO Design Team reviews the plans at the scoping and 60% levels

- Other Stake Holders Added as Identified

Current Projected Timeline

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RAIL-TRAIL CORRIDOR

PROJECT

SW 6TH STREET

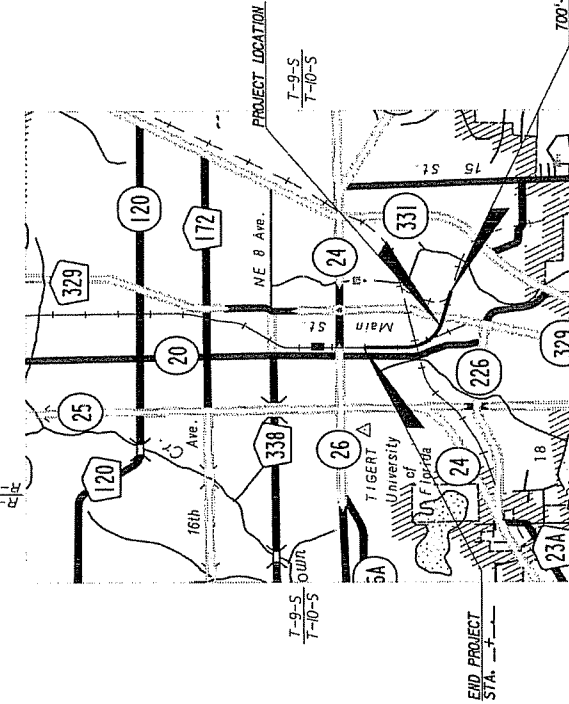
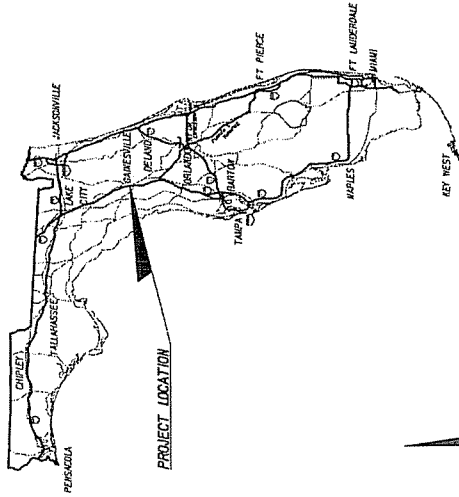
FROM SE 4TH STREET TO NW 16TH AVENUE.

PHASE ONE

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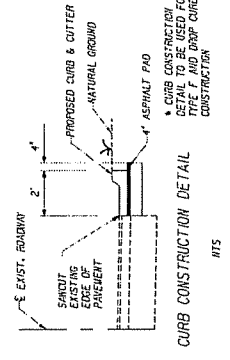
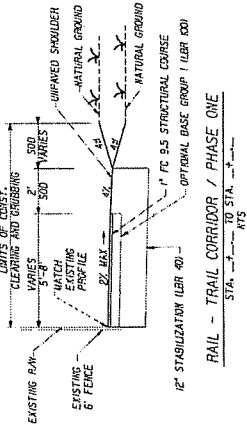
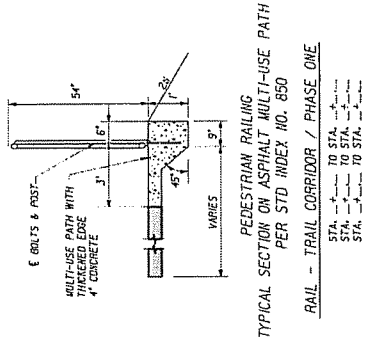
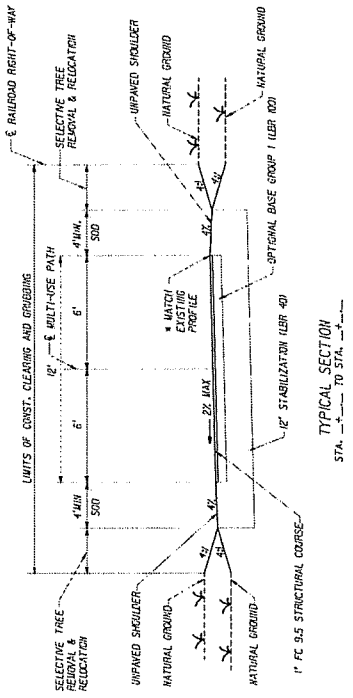
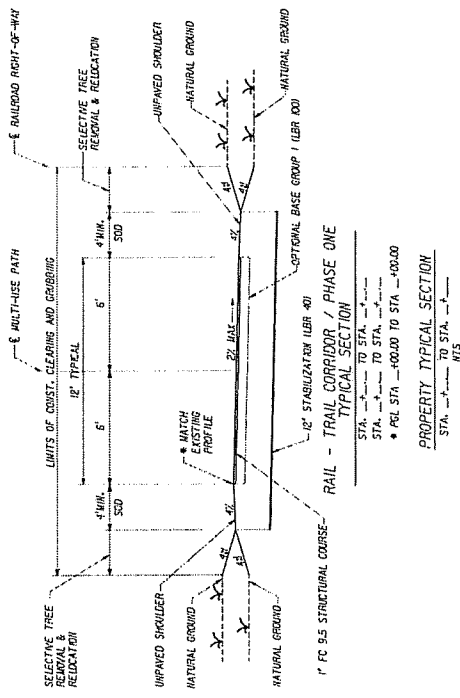
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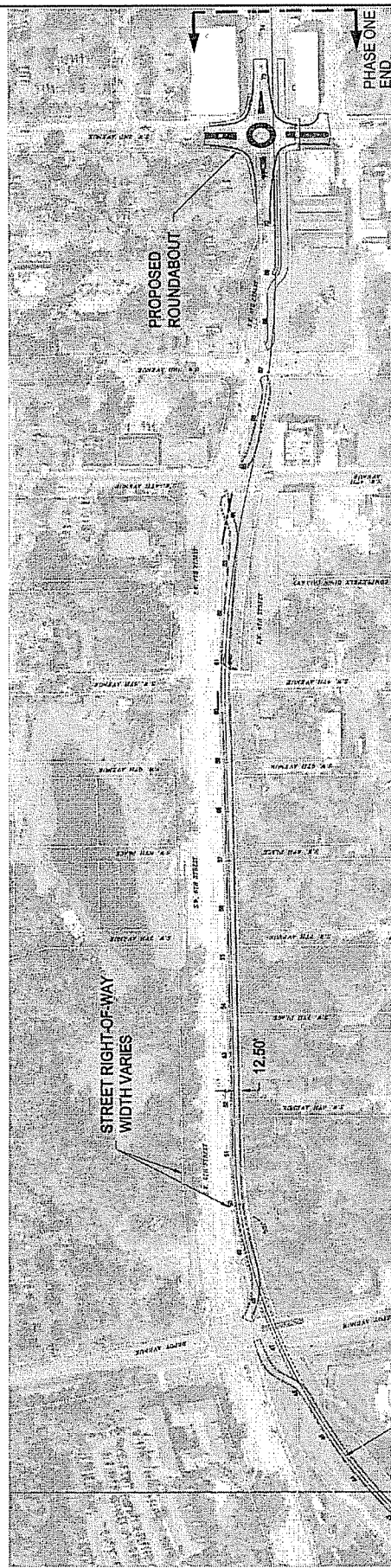
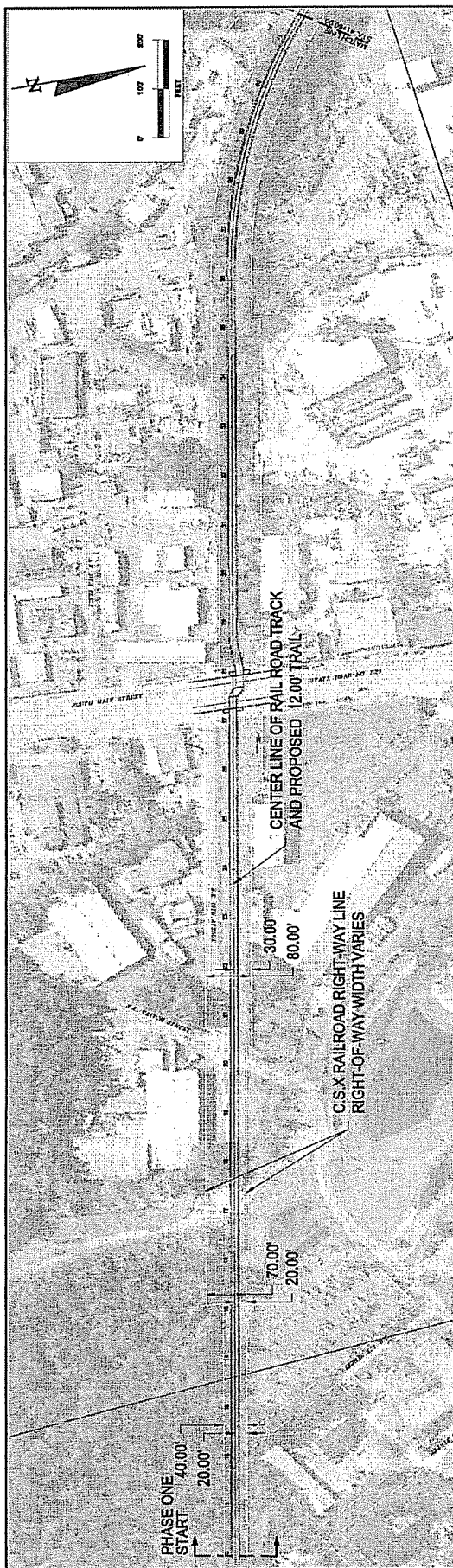
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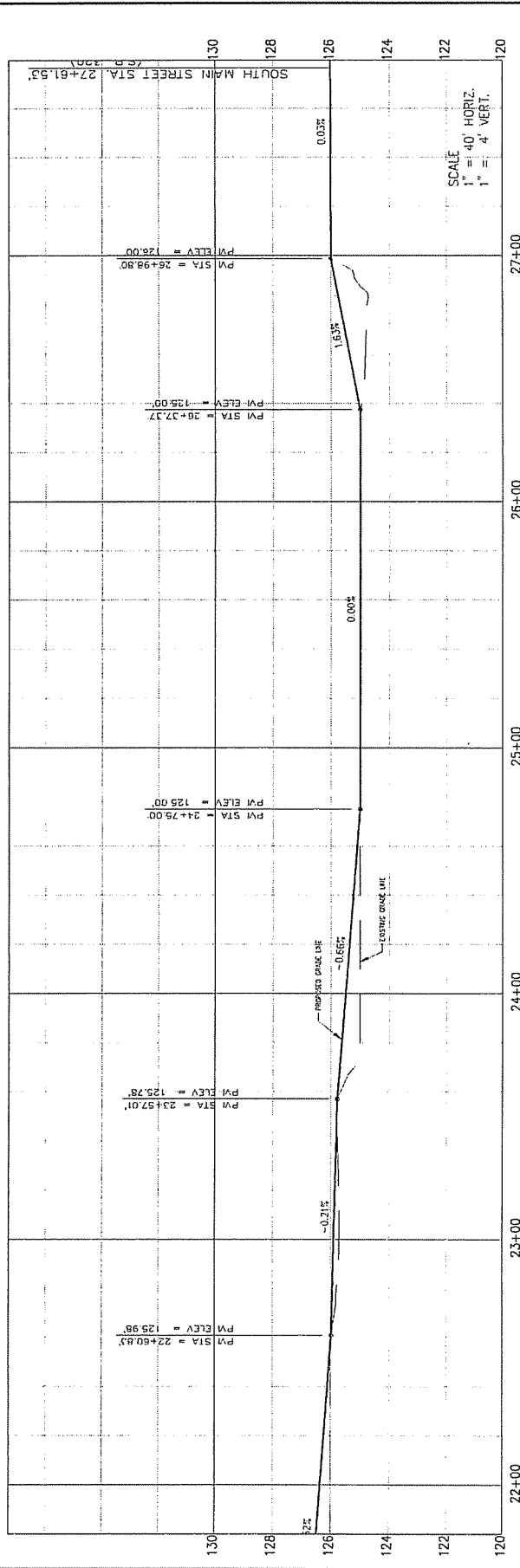
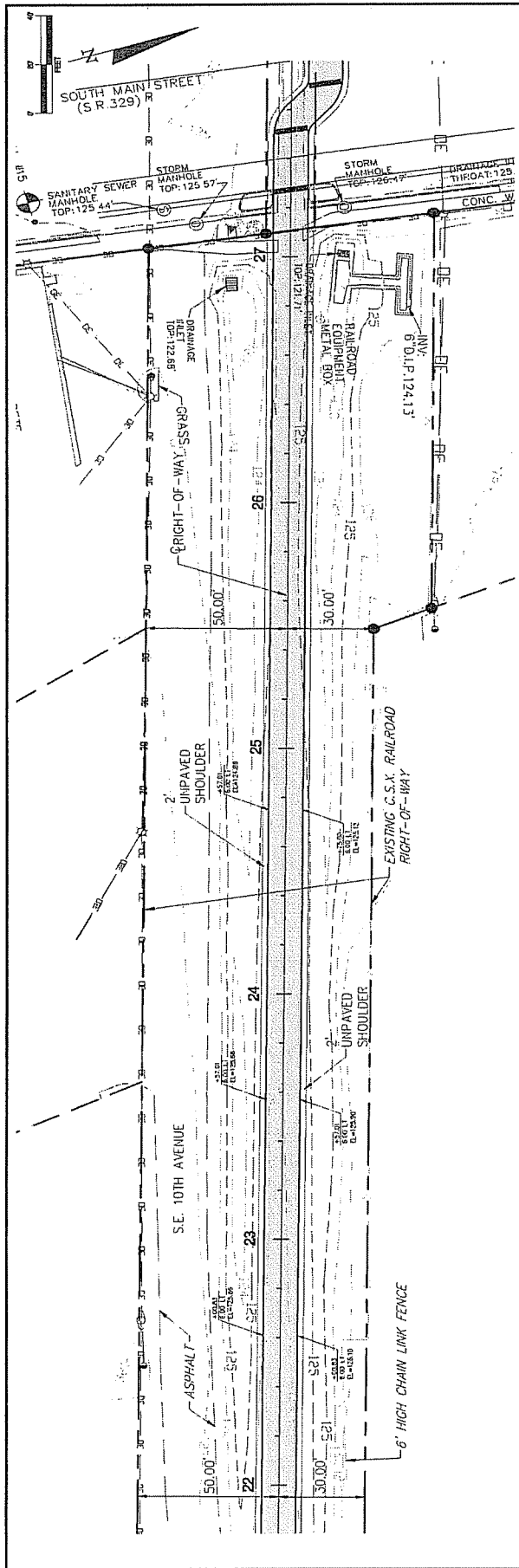
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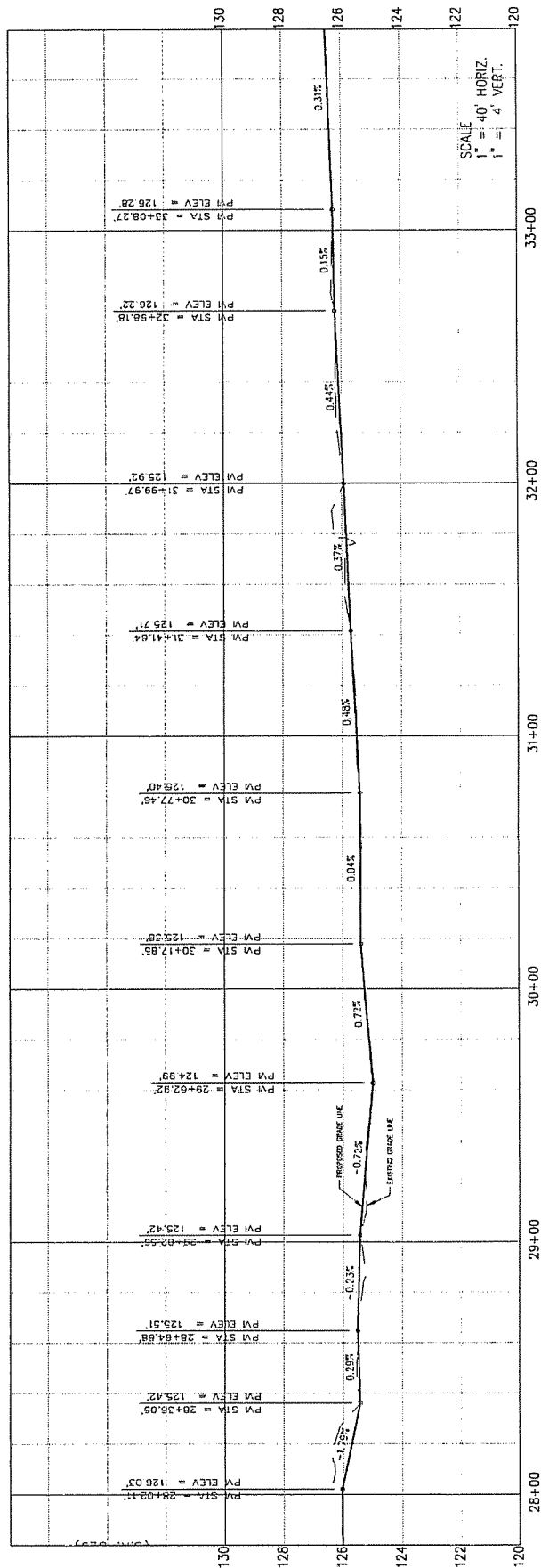
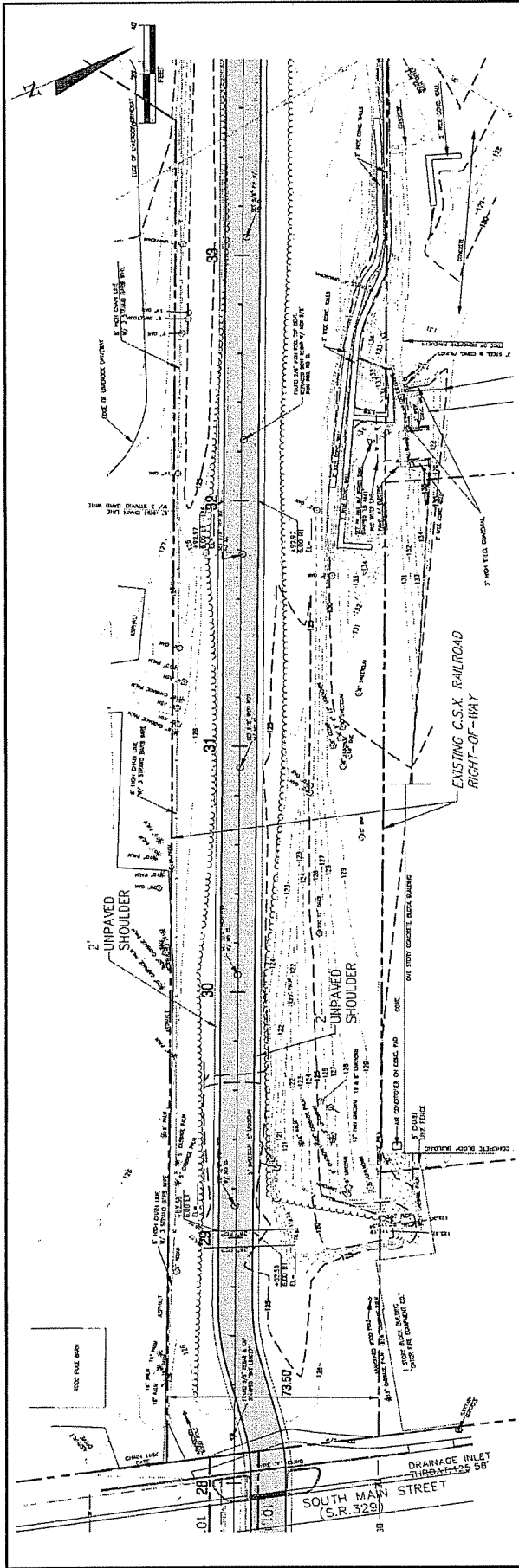
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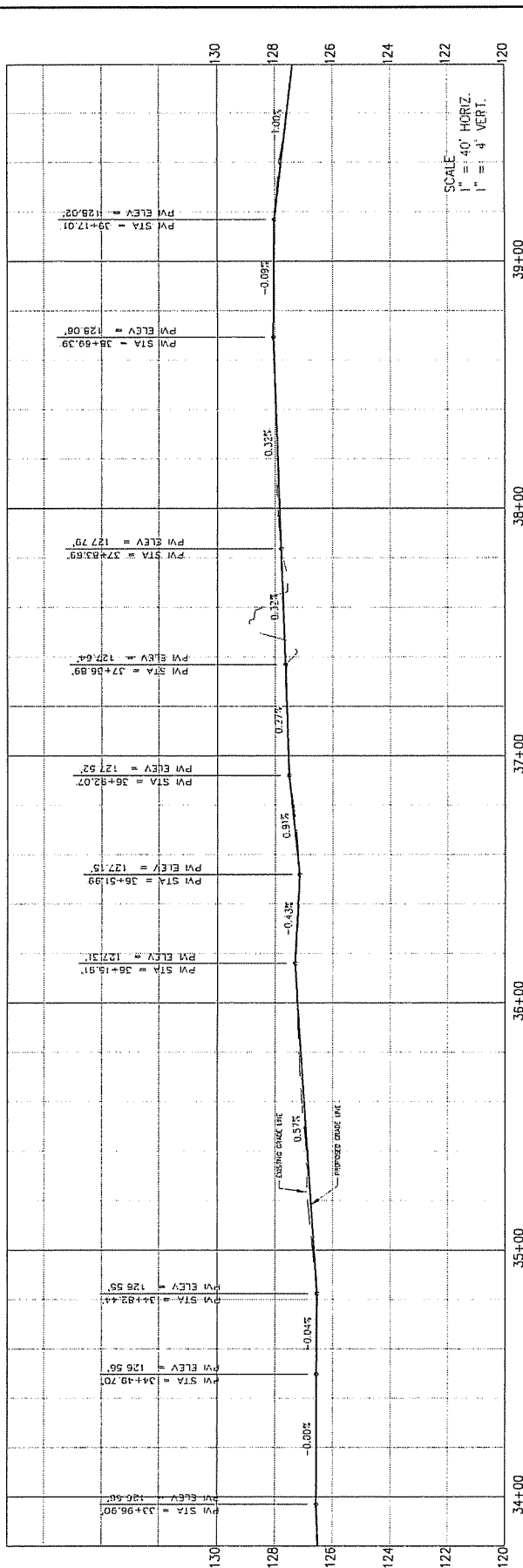
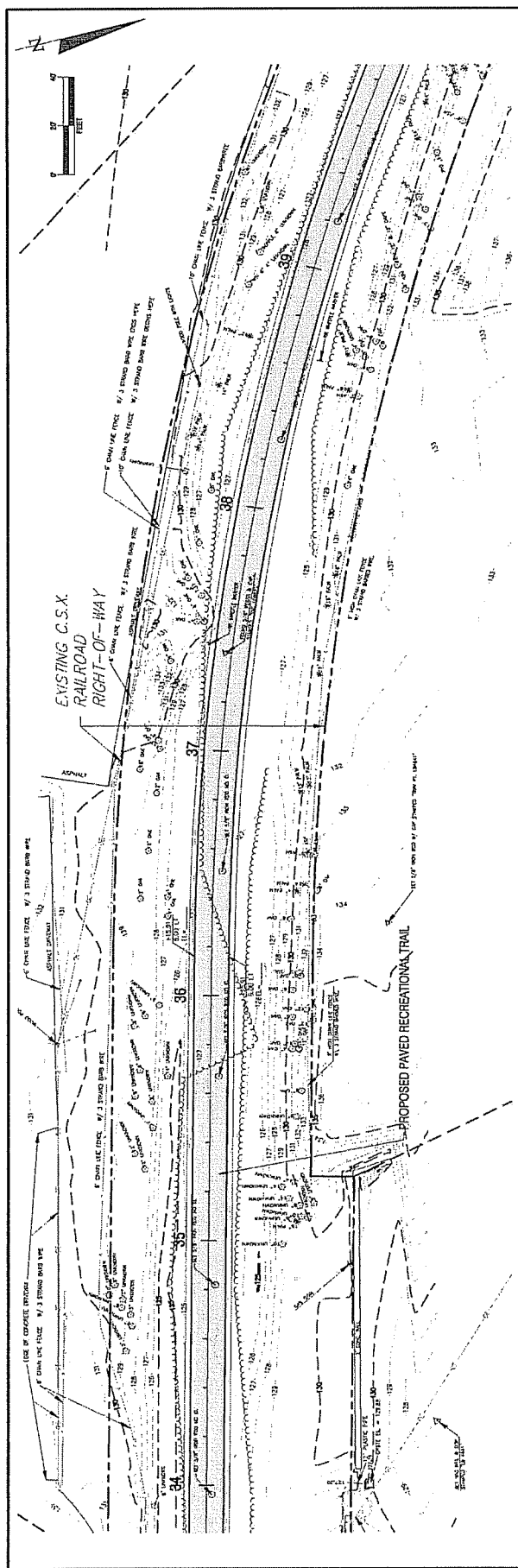


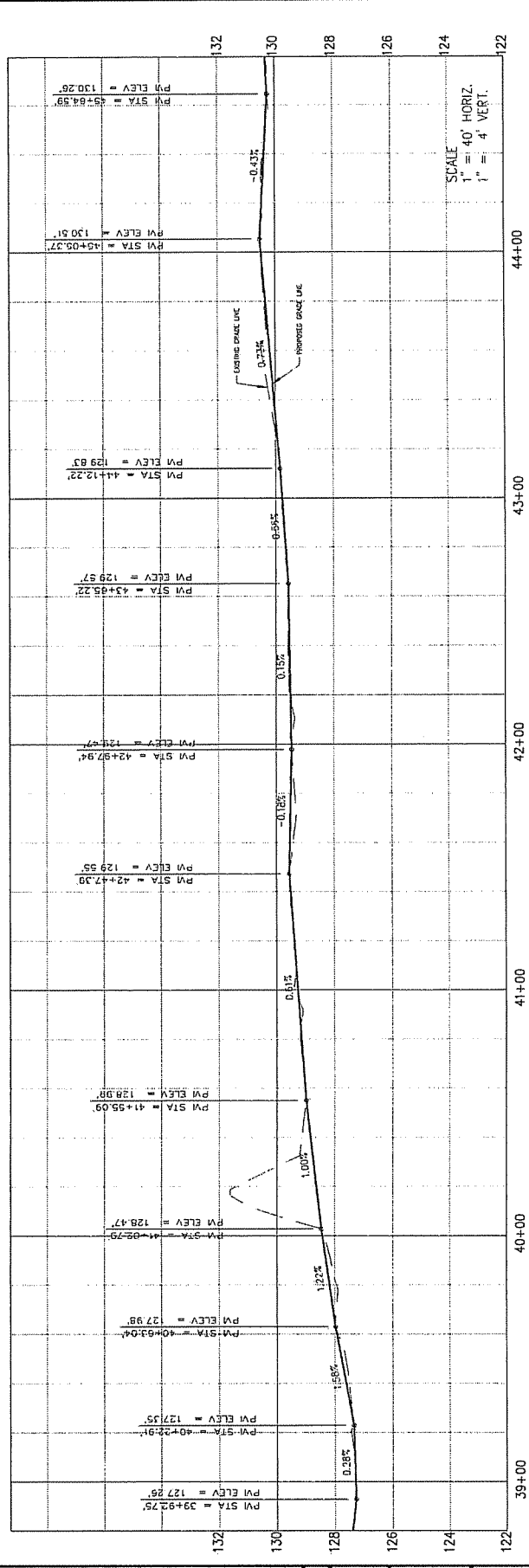
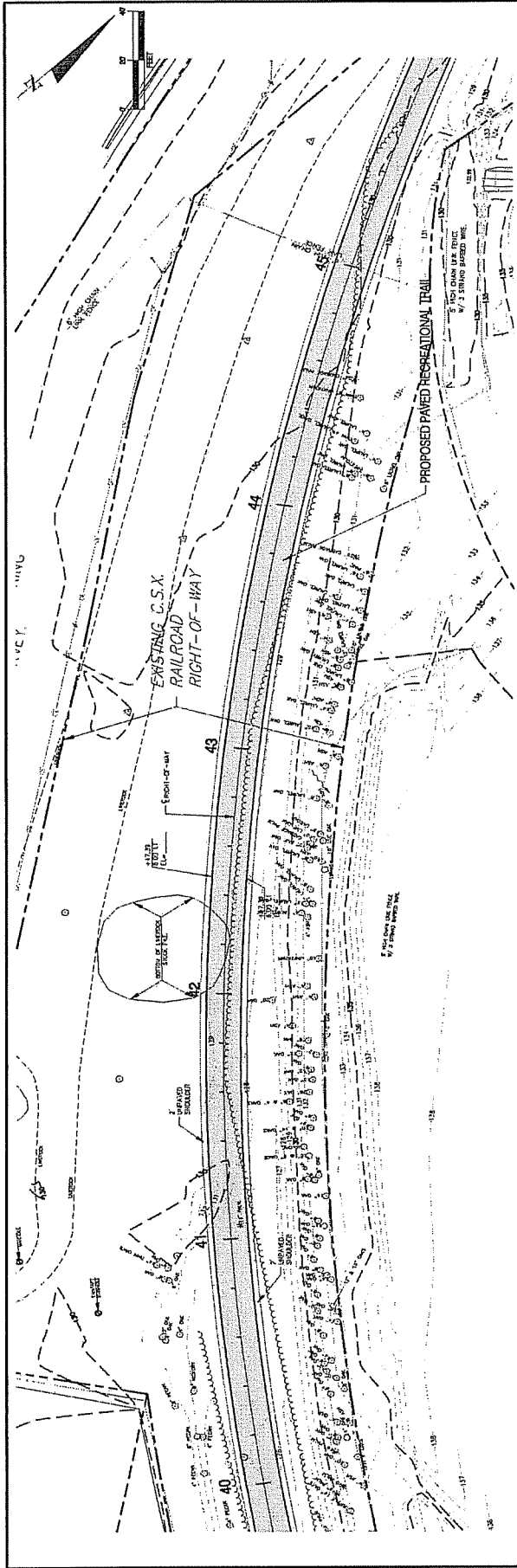
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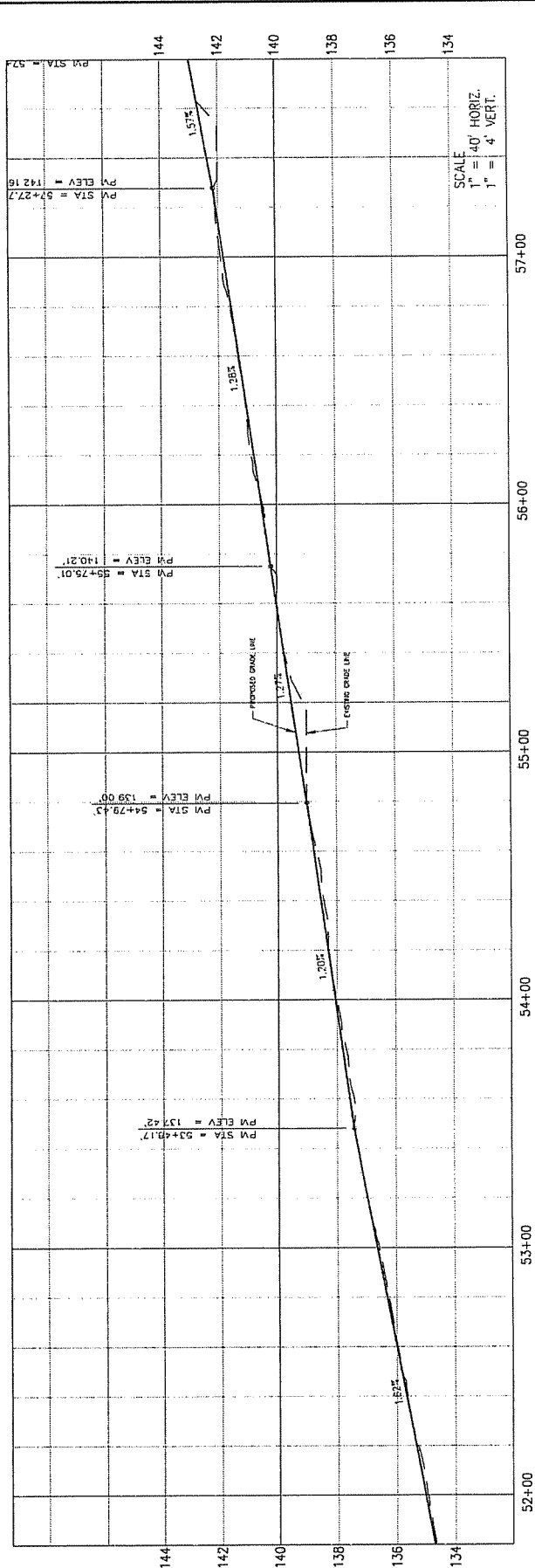
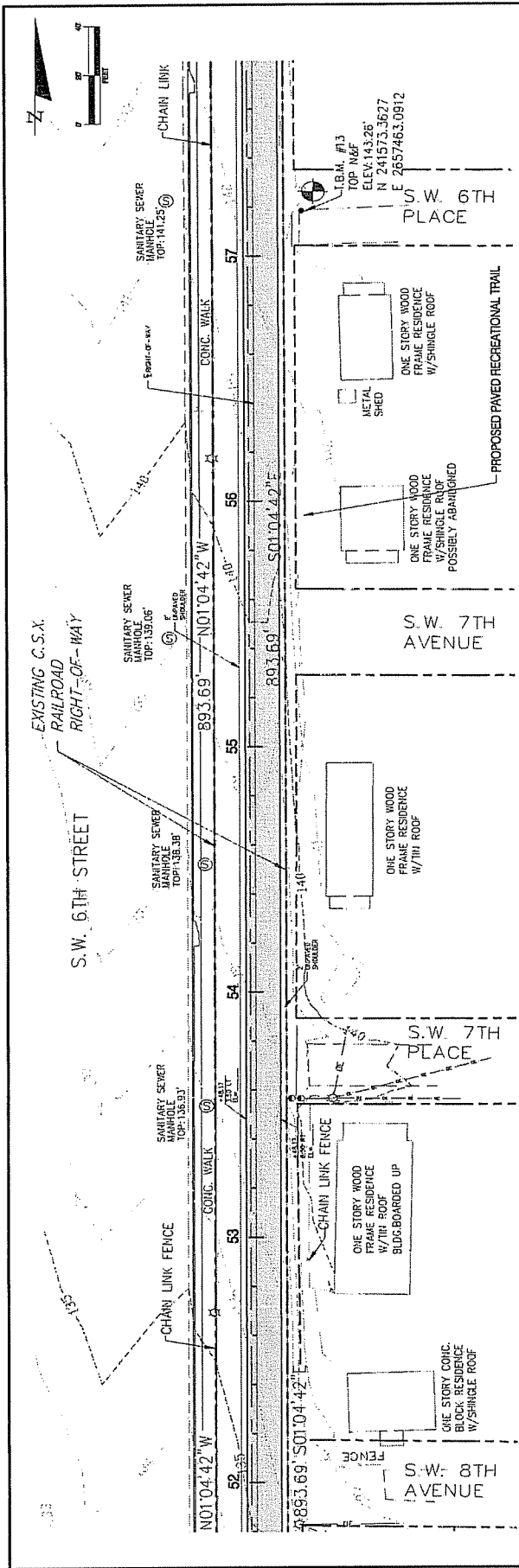


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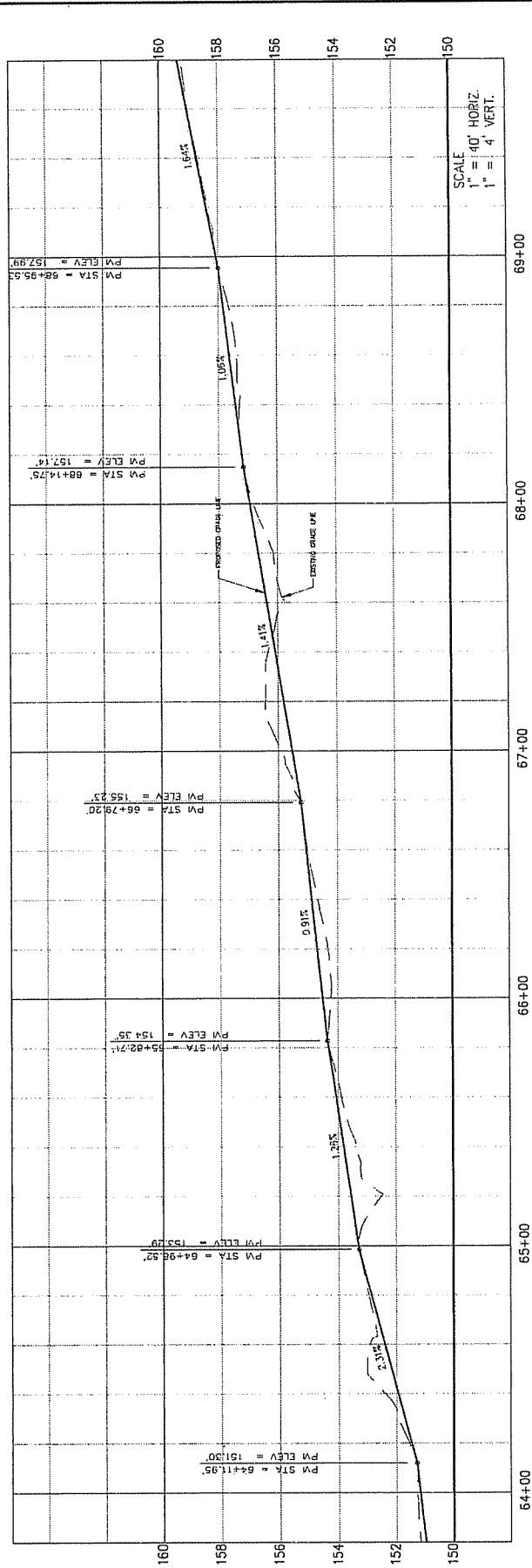
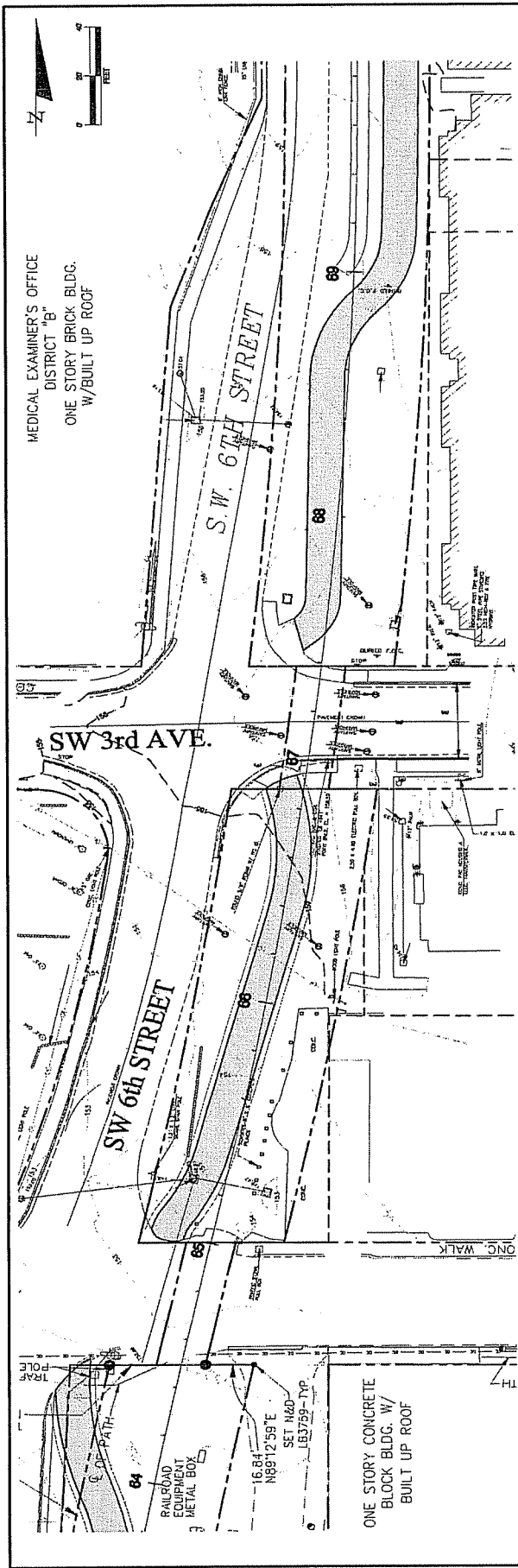
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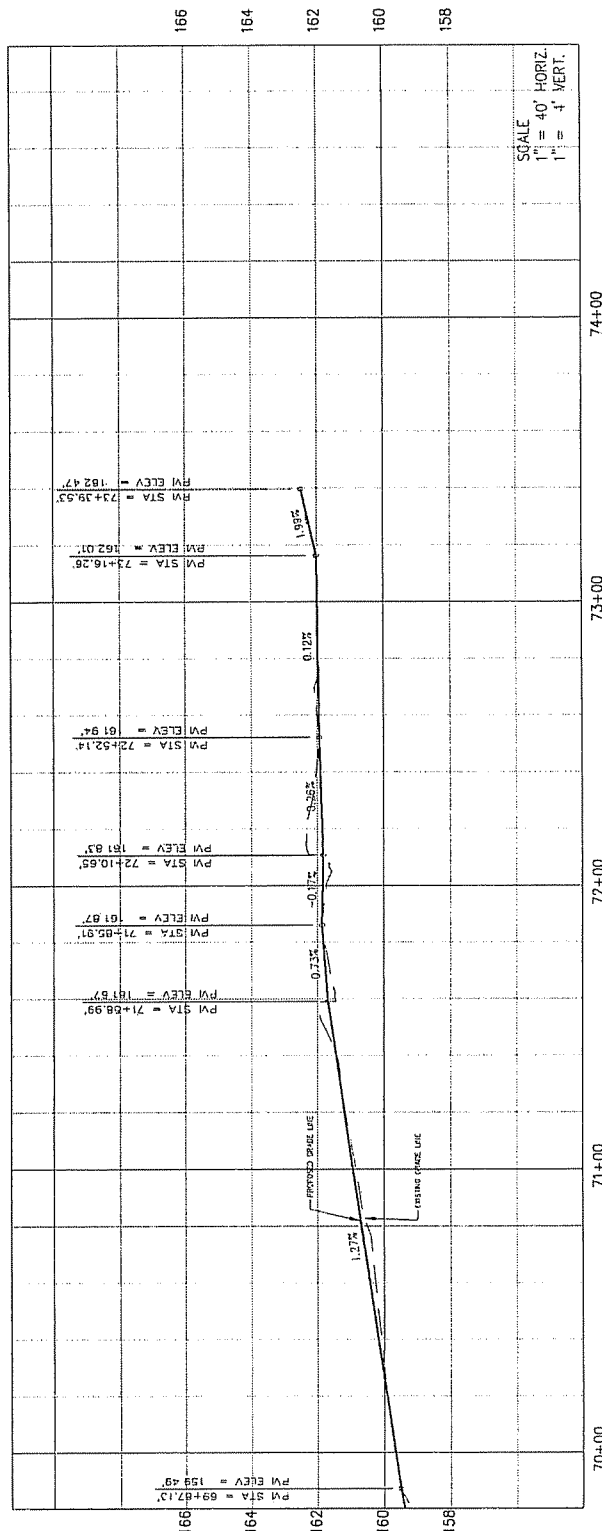
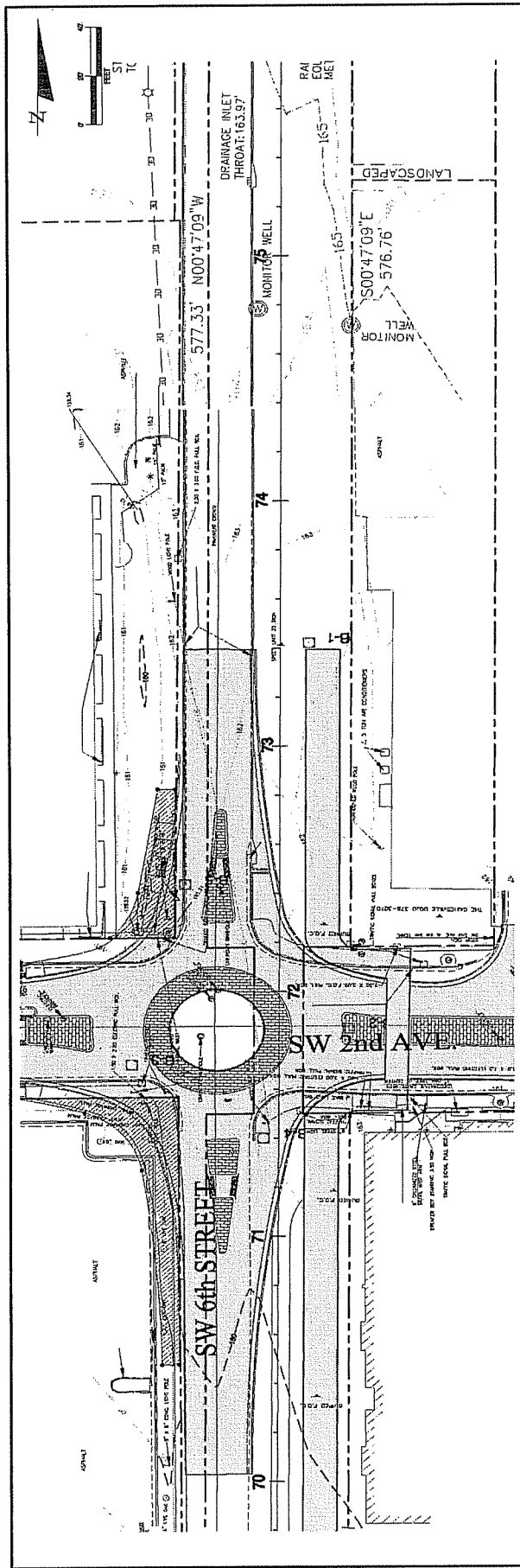
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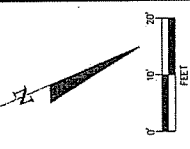
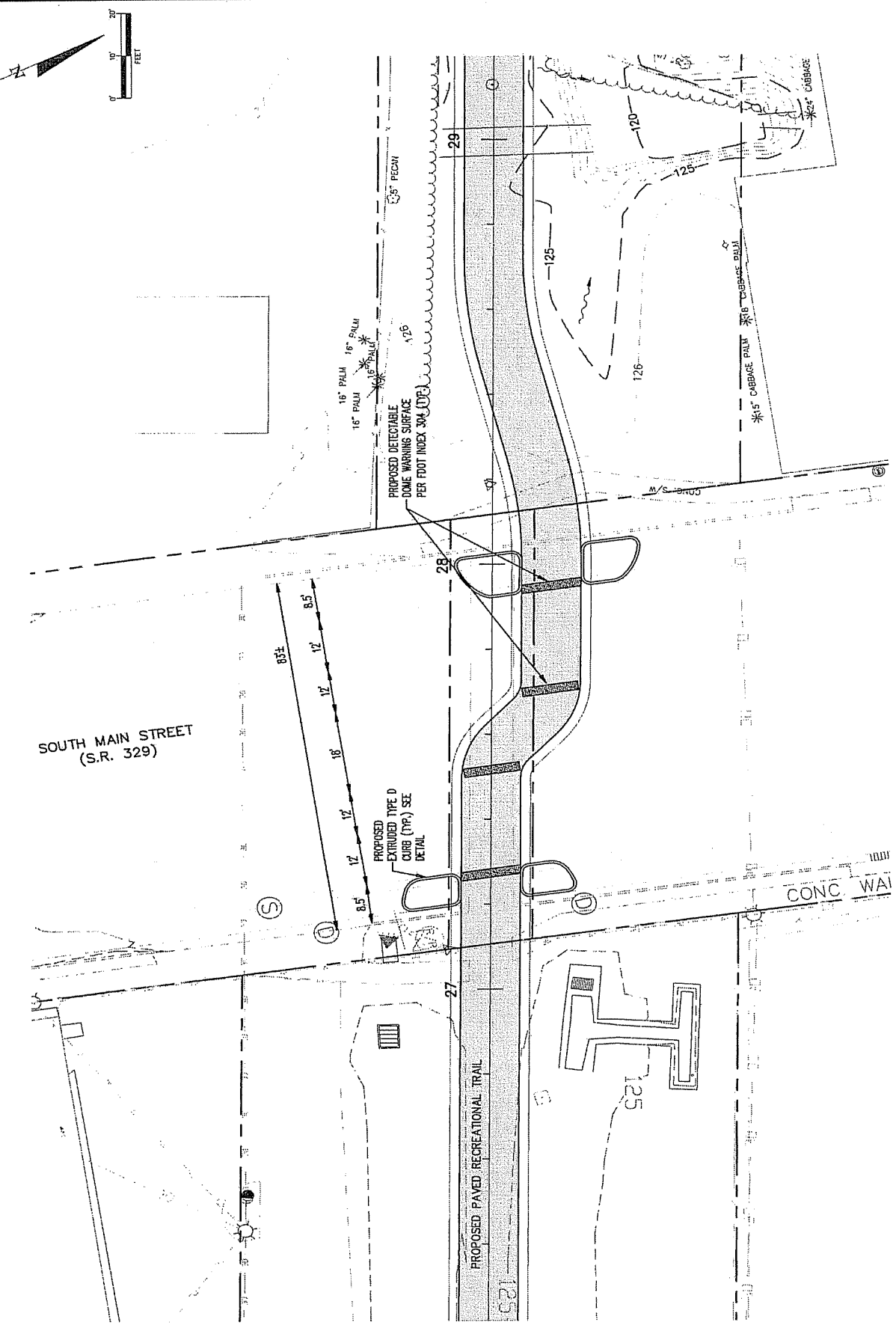
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What Next?

90% Plan Level Presentation?

Gainesville Commission – February 19, 2009

Construction Documents

Before April 1, 2009



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October 17, 2008

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, AICP
Gainesville Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization
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Gainesville, FL 32653-1603

Dear Mr. Sanderson: *10/17/08*

This letter is a request for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to be placed on the following agendas:

Design Team for November 18, 2008
Technical Advisory Committee for December 3, 2008
Citizens Advisory Committee for December 3, 2008
Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for December 11, 2008

Mr. Anthony Falotico would like to give an introduction to the Committees for an upcoming safety project on SR 24/Archer Road, median modifications (#2078378), from SW 40th Blvd. to SR 121/34th Street. The project is currently in the scope phase.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call at (386) 961-7550.

Sincerely,

Karen S. Taulbee, AICP
Transportation Specialist

Archer Road Safety Project Financial Project # 2078378

PE – FY 08/09
CST – FY 2010/11

At the request of the Alachua County Community Traffic Safety Team, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) retained Kimley Horn and Associates to conduct an Arterial Study for SR 24 /Archer Road as part of a District-wide Safety Studies contract.

The tasks included field inventory, qualitative assessment, crash data analysis and capacity analysis. Using the information from the study, recommendations for improved operation of the corridor were developed focusing on crash reduction, safety and traffic operations.

Several intersections were identified as operating at a Level of Service (LOS) D or E. An access management analysis reveals that the majority of access points along the corridor are not compliant with current FDOT access management standards.

The study recommended several modifications to access management and LOS that could be implemented within a five-year period, and ranked on priority, ease of completion and estimated resulting benefit.

These proposed modifications are summarized below. The recommended projects are to be coordinated with the Alachua County and MTPO approved interim projects, as part of the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector study, and the recently approved MTPO alignment recommendation for SW 62nd Boulevard as, Alternative 4b-2 with four general purpose lane cross section, and providing a connection to SR 24/Archer Road at SW 37th Boulevard.

I-75 NB Ramp to SW 40th Blvd.

- Create dual left turn lanes on Archer Road (eastbound) to SW 40th Blvd (northbound)
 - Operational Modification by County
- Eliminate right turn slip ramp from I-75 exit ramp to eastbound Archer Road bringing all ramp traffic to signal control.
 - Operational Modification (by County?)
 - 32 rear end crashes in 2003; 2 in 2004; 3 in 2005

SW 40th Blvd to SW 37th Blvd.

- Close first full median opening east of SW 40th Blvd.
 - Safety Modification – based on crash data
 - 8 crashes in 2003; 8 in 2004; 6 in 2005

- Increase storage capacity in westbound left turn lane @ SW 40th Blvd
 - Operational / Safety Modification
- Eliminate left turn lane at median closure, creating additional median space.

Project is coordinated with the recommended Interim Modifications approved by the MTPO and Alachua County as part of the SW 62nd Blvd. connector study.

SW 37th Blvd to SW 35th Blvd.

- Increase storage capacity in eastbound left turn lane @ SW 37th Blvd.
 - Operational Modification
- Close first full median opening east of SW 37th Blvd.
 - Safety Modification
- Increase storage capacity in westbound left turn lane @ SW 37th Blvd
 - Operational Modification
- Modify second full median opening east of SW 37th Blvd to allow westbound left turns off Archer Road only.
 - Safety Modification

First Median Opening East of SW 35th Boulevard (to Butler Plaza / Wal-Mart Entrance)

- Close full median opening east of SW 35th Blvd
 - Safety modification based on crash data
 - 11 Crashes in 2003 ; 20 in 2004 ; 20 in 2005
- Remove eastbound-left-turn lane (to Butler Plaza / Wal-Mart Entrance) and reconfigure median
- Remove westbound left-turn lane (to Pizza Hut & bank) and reconfigure median

Second Median Opening East of SW 35th Boulevard (to Butler Plaza / Lowes Entrance)

- Convert full median opening to directional median opening (left off Archer Rd Only)
 - Safety modification based on crash data
 - 11 crashes in 2003 ; 9 in 2004 ; 10 in 2005
- Increase storage for westbound left-turn lane @ modified directional opening, reducing length of inside eastbound left-turn lane at SR 121 (SW 34th Street)
 - Safety modification

Archer Road Safety Project Financial Project # 2078378

PE - FY 08/09

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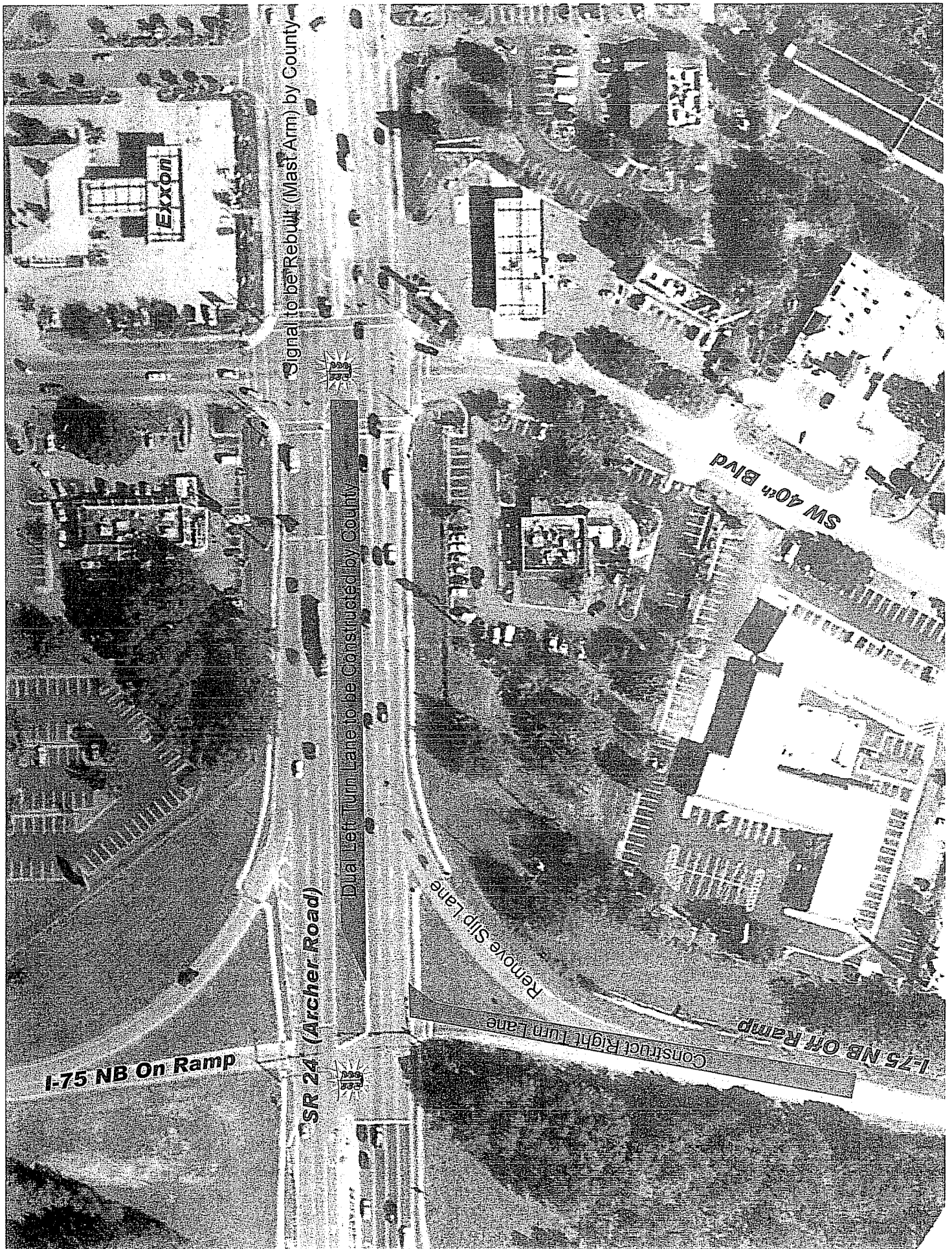
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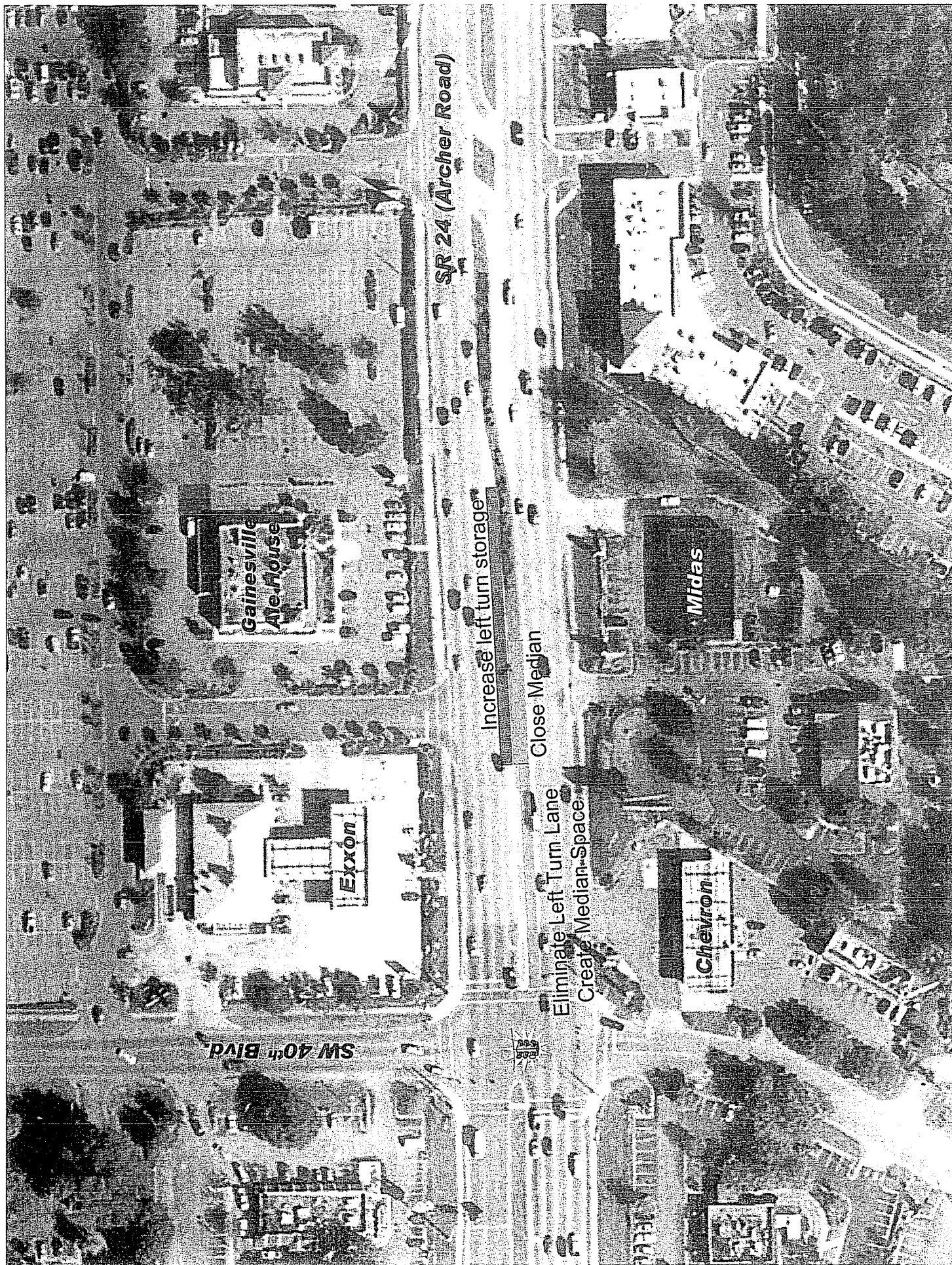
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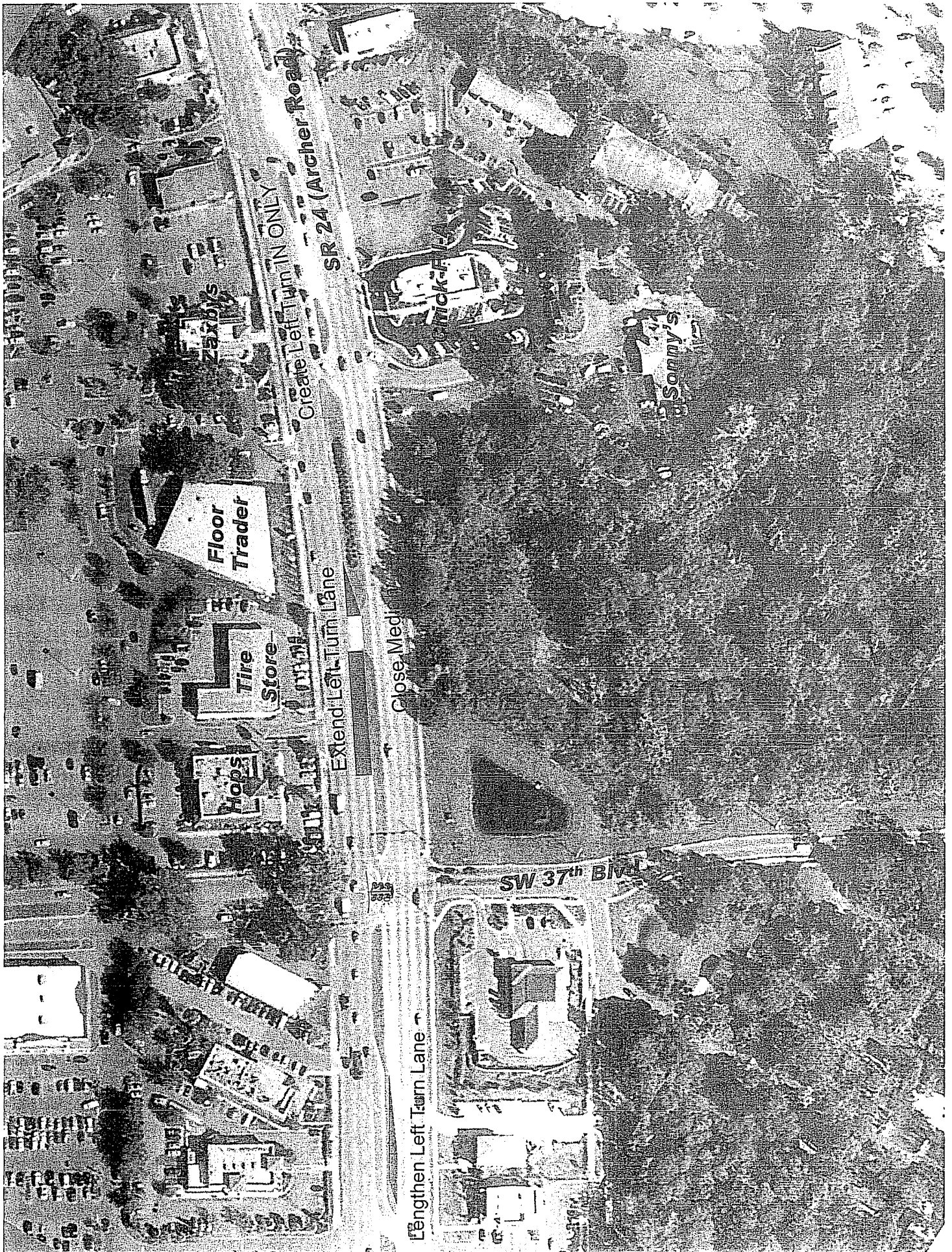
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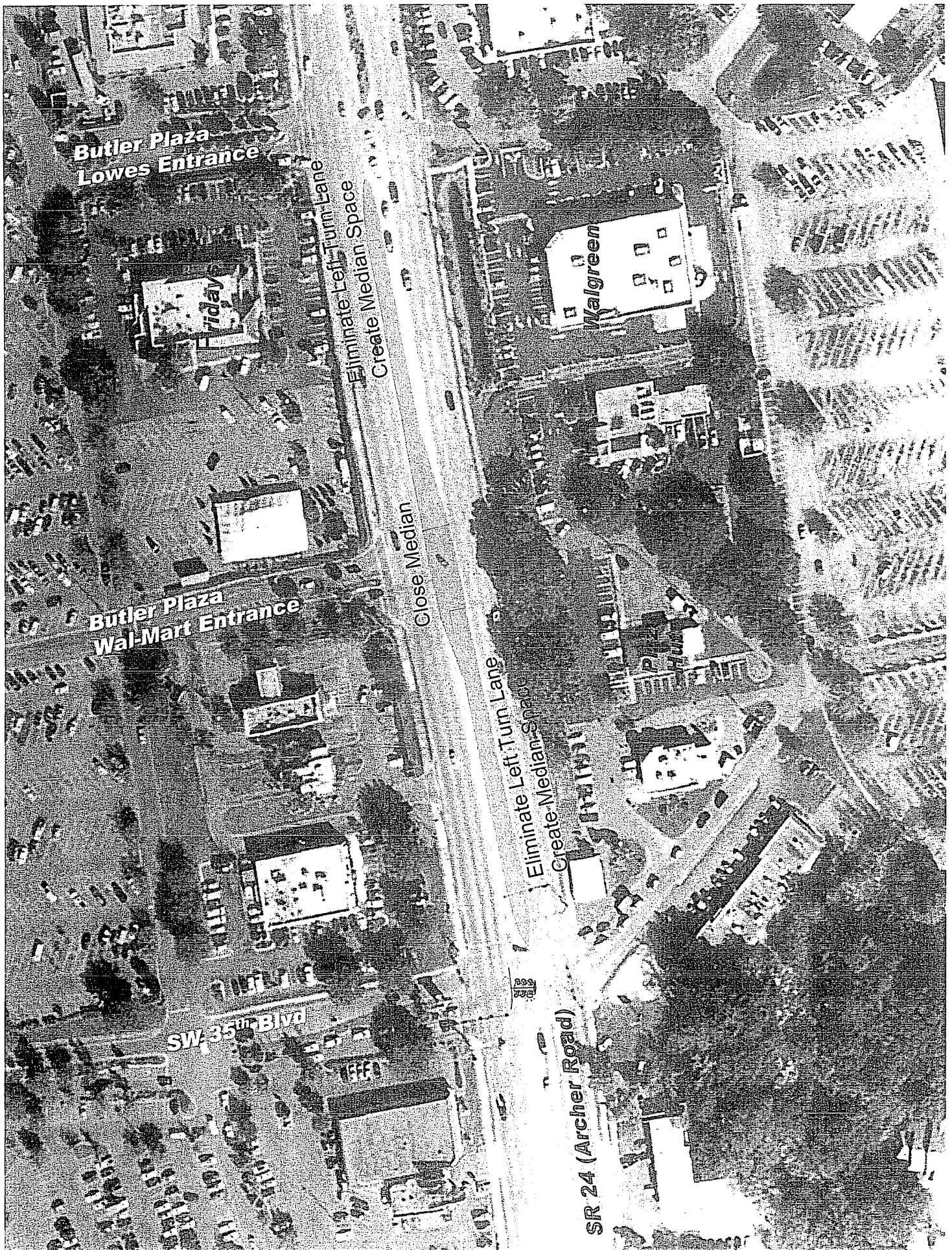
SW 37th Blvd to SW 35th Blvd.

- Increase storage capacity in eastbound left turn lane @ SW 37th Blvd.
 - Operational Modification
- Close first full median opening east of SW 37th Blvd.
 - Safety Modification
- Increase storage capacity in westbound left turn lane @ SW 37th Blvd
 - Operational Modification
- Modify second full median opening east of SW 37th Blvd to allow westbound left turns off Archer Road only.
 - Safety Modification



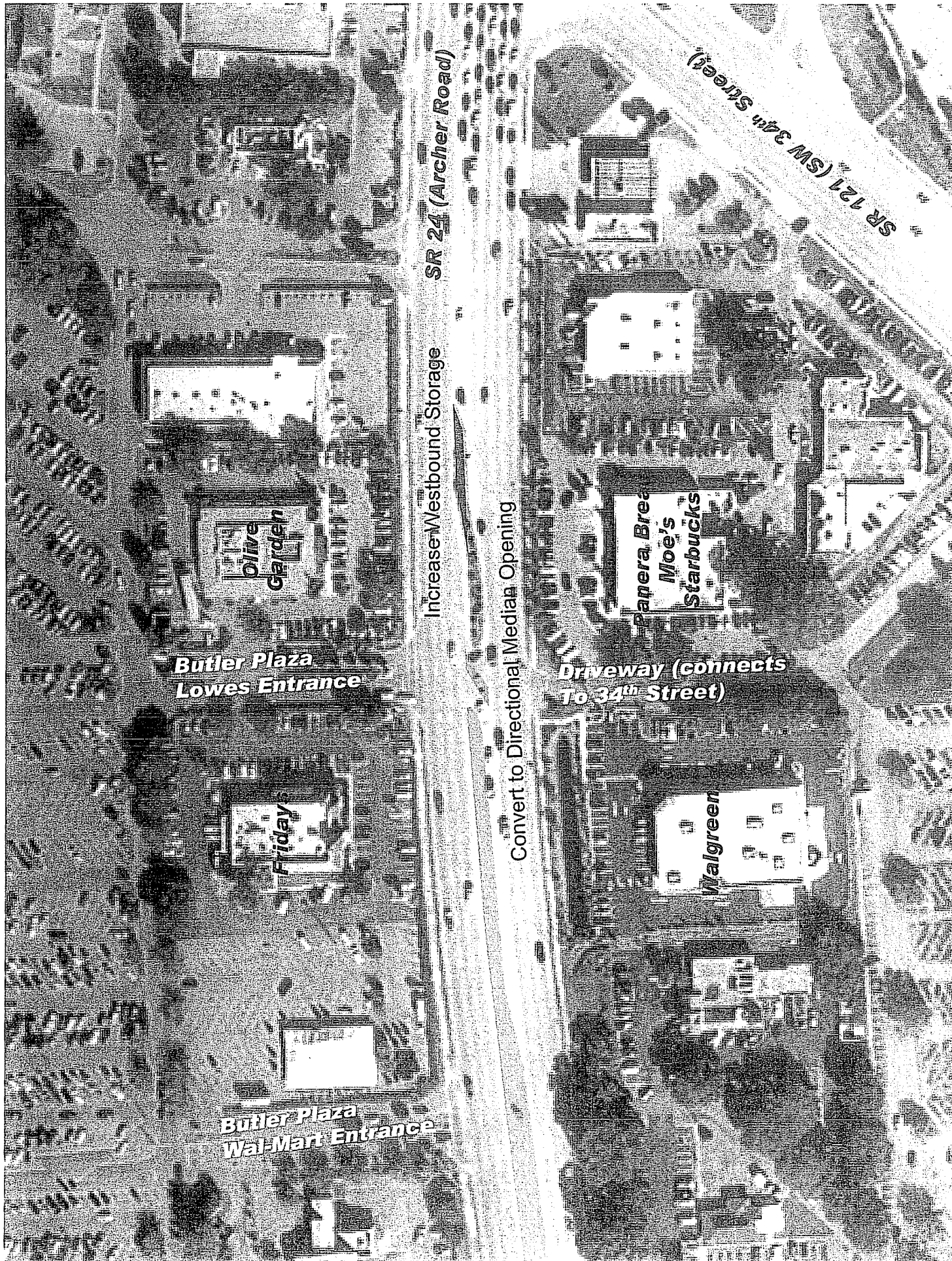
First Median Opening East of SW 35th Boulevard (to Butler Plaza / Wal-Mart Entrance)

- Close full median opening east of SW 35th Blvd
 - Safety modification based on crash data
 - 11 Crashes in 2003 ; 20 in 2004 ; 20 in 2005
- Remove eastbound left-turn lane (to Butler Plaza / Wal-Mart Entrance) and reconfigure median
- Remove westbound left-turn lane (to Pizza Hut & bank) and reconfigure median



Second Median Opening East of SW 35th Boulevard (to Butler Plaza / Lowes Entrance)

- Convert full median opening to directional median opening (left off Archer Rd Only)
 - Safety modification based on crash data
 - 11 crashes in 2003 ; 9 in 2004 ; 10 in 2005
- Increase storage for westbound left-turn lane @ modified directional opening, reducing length of inside eastbound left-turn lane at SR 121 (SW 34th Street)
 - Safety modification



Questions and Comments

THANK YOU!

SCHEDULED 2009 MTPO AND COMMITTEE MEETING DATES AND TIMES

PLEASE NOTE: All of the dates and times shown in this table are subject to being changed during the year

MTPO MEETING MONTH	B/PAB [At 7:00 p.m.]	TAC [At 2:00 p.m.] CAC [At 7:00 p.m.]	MTPO MEETING
JANUARY	January 6	<i>CANCELLED</i>	<i>CANCELLED</i>
FEBRUARY	January 20	<i>CANCELLED</i>	<i>CANCELLED</i>
MARCH	February 24	CAC Orientation @ 6:30 pm February 25	March 9 at 3:00 p.m.
APRIL	March 31	April 1	April 13 at 3:00 p.m.
MAY	April 28	April 29	May 11 at 3:00 p.m.
JUNE	May 26	May 27	June 8 at 6:00 p.m.
JULY	June 30	July 1	July 13 at 3:00 p.m.
AUGUST	July 28	July 29	August 10 at 3:00 p.m.
SEPTEMBER	September 1	September 2	September 14 at 3:00 p.m.
OCTOBER	September 29	September 30	October 12 at 3:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER	October 27	October 28	November 9 at 3:00 p.m.
DECEMBER	December 1	December 2	December 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Note, unless otherwise scheduled:

1. Shaded boxes indicate the months that we may be able to cancel MTPO meetings if agenda items do not require a meeting. Corresponding Advisory Committee meeting may also be cancelled.
2. TAC meetings are conducted at the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Administration general purpose meeting room;
3. CAC meetings are conducted in the Grace Knight conference room of the County Administration Building; and
4. MTPO meetings are conducted at the Jack Durrance Auditorium of the County Administration Building unless noted.

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October 14, 2008



TO: MTPO Design Team Members

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: **Design Team Year 2009 Meeting Calendar**

Based upon the format of meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m.,
please reserve on your calendar the following meeting dates:

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| 1. | JANUARY | 20 |
| 2. | FEBRUARY | 17 |
| 3. | MARCH | 17 |
| 4. | APRIL | 21 |
| 5. | MAY | 19 |
| 6. | JUNE | 16 |
| 7. | JULY | 21 |
| 8. | AUGUST | 18 |
| 9. | SEPTEMBER | 15 |
| 10. | OCTOBER | 20 |
| 11. | NOVEMBER | 17 |
| 12. | DECEMBER | 15 |

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Michael Escalante, AICP, Senior Planner,
at (352) 955-2200, extension 114.

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WORKING DRAFT
MTPO DESIGN TEAM STATUS REPORT

ASSIGNMENT	FIN Number	CONSTRUCTION STATUS YEAR (PE YEAR)	CURRENT STATUS	DESIGN REVIEW		
				SCOPE	30%	60%
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS						
Airport Access Road	2076143	2007/2008	Conceptual Design and Property Acquisition- waiting for LAP certification	10/07	01/08	4/08
Depot Avenue Reconstruction	4205371	2008/2009	2-Lane reconstruction SAFETEA-LU Project.			
			Section 1			
			Section 2			
			Section 3		04/08	
			Section 4			
N Main Street	-	-	Reconstruction as 2-Lane Divided		06/07	10/07
NE 19 th Street/NE 19 th Terrace	4204511	2008/2009	Reconstruction of road from NE 3 rd Avenue to NE 8 th Avenue. SAFETEA-LU Project.			
SW 20 th Avenue	2113353	2004/2005	PE study and 30 percent design plans- waiting for Urban Village Study recommendations	10/08		
SW 62 nd Boulevard	2113653	(2007/2008)	PD&E of 4 corridor alignment alternatives SAFETEA-LU Project.			
			Interim Projects	10/08		
ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS						
SR 24 / Archer Road Archer to I-75	2078374	2011/2012 (CST)	Bike Path/Trail-		-	
Old Gainesville Depot	4046281	2001/2002	Local agency program (City) - waiting for project to develop		-	
W 6 th Street Rail-Trail	2113632	2011/2012	Bike path- Local agency program (City) - waiting for project to develop	10/08	-	01/09
INTERSECTION / SAFETY / PROJECTS						
Archer Road Safety Project	2078378	2011/2012 (CST)	Access management [01/09 4 Info]			
Interstate 75	2129498	2011/2012 (CST)	Operational improvement		05/08	

*Shaded projects are the projects that are new to this list.

MTPO DESIGN TEAM MEMBERSHIP

NAME	AGENCY
PERMANENT MEMBERS	
Ha Nguyen; R. Hedrick, M. Fay, & D. Cerlanek (Alts)	Alachua County Public Works Department
Kathy Fanning	Alachua County Department of Environmental
Jonathan Paul	Alachua County Department of Growth Management
Julia Reiskind/John Richter	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board
Linda Dixon	University of Florida Facilities Planning & Construction
Gary Weed; Greg Sholar (Alt)	Citizens Advisory Committee
Meg Niederhofer, Chair	City of Gainesville Arborist
Beth Jordan; Rocky Lee (Alt)	City of Gainesville Beautification Board
Susan Bridges Niemann	City of Gainesville Community Development
David Kvaltine	City of Gainesville Gainesville Regional Utilities
Emery Swearingen	City of Gainesville Public Works Department
Jesus Gomez, Doug Robinson (Alt)	City of Gainesville Regional Transit System
Karen Taulbee	Florida Department of Transportation
PROJECT MEMBERS	
Vacant (SR 26/26A Project Member)	Citizen Advocate
(appropriate FDOT project member)	Florida Department of Transportation
SPECIAL MAILINGS (agendas only)	
Anthony Lyons (Main Street)	City of Gainesville Community Redevelopment Agency
Cindy Robinson / Linda M°Gurn (Main Street)	Gainesville Downtown Owners & Tenants
Sharon Bachner (Main Street)	Matheson Society Inc. / Alachua County Historic Trust
Arnall Downs	-
Commissioner Byerly	-

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MEETING SUMMARY
GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
DESIGN TEAM

NCFRPC Conference Room
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.
October 21, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Emery Swearingen, Chair
Susan Bridges Niemann
Ha Nguyen
Meg Niederhofer
John Richter
Reid Rivers
Karen Taulbee
Gary Weed

MEMBERS ABSENT

Linda Dixon
Kathy Fanning
Beth Jordan
Jonathan Paul
Doug Robinson

OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Alderman
Brian Kanelly

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emery Swearingen, City of Gainesville Public Works Manager, called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Swearingen introduced himself and requested introductions.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Swearingen requested action on the meeting agenda.

ACTION: John Richter moved to approve the meeting agenda. Reid Rivers seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. SW 62ND BOULEVARD- INTERIM PROJECTS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, state that the Alachua County consultant has submitted the SW 62nd Boulevard Interim Projects scoping plans.

Mr. Terry Shaw, HNTB Project Manager, discussed the three SW 62nd Boulevard Interim Projects scoping plans and answered questions.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the scoping plans for the three interim projects with the understanding that the mast arms will be painted black; and**
- 2. request that Alachua County execute a maintenance agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) if such an agreement is required by FDOT in order to have black mast arms.**

Reid Rivers seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. SW 20TH AVENUE- SCOPING PLANS

Chair Robinson stated that FDOT staff has submitted scoping plans for SW 20th Avenue from SW 43rd Street to SW 34th Street.

Mr. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the SW 20th Avenue scoping plans and answered questions.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see Exhibit 1), considering the following elements in design as this project progresses:

- 1. amend the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road);**
- 2. consider moving the sidewalk back to accommodate a planting strip where appropriate and applicable; and**
- 3. consider reducing the bus lane to 11-foot for the “Smart Bus Bay” typical section.**

Susan Nieman seconded.

Chair Swearingen request the motion be split regarding changes to the proposed plans.

SPLIT ACTION PART ONE:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see Exhibit 1), considering as this project progresses amending the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road). Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 7 to 1.

SPLIT ACTION PART TWO:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section, considering as this project progresses moving the sidewalk back to accommodate a planting strip where appropriate and applicable. Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 5 to 3.

SPLIT ACTION PART THREE:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section, considering as this project progresses reducing the bus lane to 11-foot for the “Smart Bus Bay” typical section. Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 7 to 1.

V. SIXTH STREET RAIL TRAIL PROJECT- SCOPING PLANS

Mr. Sanderson stated that City of Gainesville staff has submitted scoping plans for the W 6th Street Rail/Trail project.

Mr. Swearingen discussed the W 6th Street Rail/Trail project scoping plans and answered questions. He noted that the project was bifurcated into two phases, with Phase 1 from SE 4th Street to south of University Avenue and Phase 2 from south of University Avenue to NW 16th Avenue. He announced that the City would bring 60 percent plans to the Design Team for its January meeting.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the W 6th Street Rail/Trail Project Scoping Plans. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 13th and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18th.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

