

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

RESOLUTION NO. R-2007-006

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2 **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF**
3 **LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE**
4 **REMOVAL OF THAT PORTION OF OKEECHOBEE**
5 **BOULEVARD LOCATED EAST OF FOLSOM ROAD TO WEST**
6 **OF “E” ROAD FROM THE COUNTY’S FIVE YEAR ROAD**
7 **PROGRAM; DIRECTING TOWN CLERK TO TRANSMIT THE**
8 **RESOLUTION TO THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY OFFICIALS;**
9 **PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR**
10 **SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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12 **WHEREAS,** the Town of Loxahatchee Groves (hereinafter referred to as the
13 “Town”) is a recently-incorporated contiguous rural community in Palm Beach County
14 experiencing a negative impact from the urbanization of certain surrounding areas; and
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16 **WHEREAS,** Palm Beach County’s (“County”) five-year road program
17 currently provides for the widening of Okeechobee Boulevard from west of “E” Road
18 to east of Folsom Road sometime in either fiscal year 2009 or fiscal year 2010; and
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20 **WHEREAS,** the County is also planning to widen Seminole Pratt Whitney
21 Road during the 2007-2009 fiscal years; and
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23 **WHEREAS,** the Town anticipates that the widening of Seminole Pratt Whitney
24 Road, as well as the completion of the Southern Boulevard improvements will alleviate
25 traffic conditions on Okeechobee Boulevard; and
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27 **WHEREAS,** due to the anticipated impact of the widening of Seminole Pratt
28 Whitney Road on Okeechobee Boulevard, the Town Council finds that it would be
29 appropriate to study the need for widening Okeechobee Boulevard between Folsom
30 Road and “E” Road; and
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32 **WHEREAS,** in an effort to preserve the composition and integrity of the Town
33 of Loxahatchee Groves, the Town would specifically request that the County
34 Commission remove the widening of Okeechobee Boulevard from the County’s five-
35 year plan until such time as the impacts of improvements to Seminole Pratt Whitney
36 Road and Southern Boulevard can be determined; and
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38 **WHEREAS,** the Town Council deems it to be in the best interests of the
39 citizens and residents of the Town to remove the widening of Okeechobee Boulevard
40 from west of “E” Road to east of Folsom Road from the Palm Beach County five-year
41 program, and to condition any future widening of Okeechobee Road on the need of
42 such widening following the completion of the improvements to Seminole Pratt
43 Whitney Road and Southern Boulevard as identified in the five-year road program.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA THAT:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are true and correct and hereby ratified and confirmed by the Town Council.

SECTION 2. The Town Council of the TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, Florida hereby recommends and supports the removal of the Okeechobee Boulevard improvements from the Palm Beach County five-year program until such time as the County studies whether the impacts from the improvements associated with the widening of Seminole Pratt Whitney Road and Southern Boulevard alleviate the need for improvements to Okeechobee Boulevard.

SECTION 3. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith, be and the same are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. If any clause, section or other part of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part shall be considered eliminated and will in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

ADOPTED by the Town Council of the TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, Florida this 3rd day of July, 2007.

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,
FLORIDA

David Browning
Mayor David Browning

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TOWN CLERK or Authorized Representative

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
DAVID N. TOLCES, Town Attorney
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