

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA EXPRESSING ITS CONTINUING SUPPORT FOR THE EXTENSION OF STATE ROAD 7 FROM OKEECHOBEE BOULEVARD TO NORTHLAKE BOULEVARD; OBJECTING TO THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE ROAD 7 EXTENSION AND URGING THAT THE EXTENSION BE CONSTRUCTED IN FISCAL YEAR 2016; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Loxahatchee Groves' residents and businesses rely on the ability to use roadways in the area; and

WHEREAS, since 1999 the Western Communities have supported the extension of State Road 7 from Okeechobee Boulevard to Northlake Boulevard as an important roadway to address traffic needs in and around the Western Communities; and,

WHEREAS, in 2011, the Town Council adopted Resolution 2011-009, urging the Palm Beach County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to maintain the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard in the 5-year transportation improvement program (TIP); and,

WHEREAS, the program for the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard currently calls for its construction in Fiscal Year 2016; and,

WHEREAS, The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is contemplating delaying the construction of the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard until Fiscal Year 2020; and,

WHEREAS, at its December 8, 2014, meeting the MPO objected to the delay in the construction of the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard until Fiscal Year 2020, and requested that it be funded in Fiscal Years 2016-2019; and,

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WHEREAS, at its December 12, 2014, meeting the Western Communities Council adopted Resolution 2015-001, supporting the actions of the MPO and requesting that the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard be constructed in Fiscal Year 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves finds it to be in the best interests of the Town to support the actions of the MPO, and to request that the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard be constructed in Fiscal Year 2016.

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

Section 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Town Council of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves, Florida, continues its support for the extension of State Road 7 to Northlake Boulevard, supports the position of the MPO that the construction of the extension not be delayed until Fiscal Year 2020, and urges that the extension be constructed in Fiscal Year 2016.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the MPO, all members of the Palm Beach County Commission, the Palm Beach County Administrator, and the Secretary of the Western Communities Council, Inc.

Section 4. If any clause, section, or other part or application of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part or application shall be considered as eliminated and so not affecting the validity of the remaining portions or applications remaining in full force and effect.

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Section 5. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

ADOPTED by the Town Council of the TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, this 6th day of January, 2015.

ATTEST:



Janet K. Whipple, Town Clerk

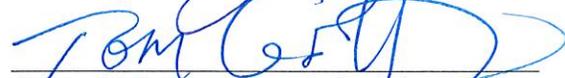
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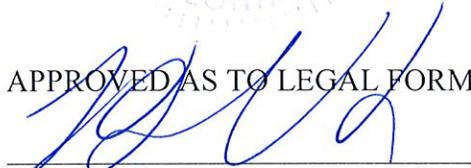


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APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



Office of the Town Attorney