

# Transportation Priorities

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**CHARLOTTE COUNTY**  
FLORIDA

# Objectives

- Discuss transportation resources and trends
- Develop a transportation agenda

# Transportation Resources

- **Public Works**      *(...taking care of what we have)*
  - Transportation Engineering - 4 positions
  - M&O: Lighting and Signals - 9 positions
  - M&O: Signs and Markings - 11 positions
  - Consultants - two contracts for services

# Transportation Programs

## *Need-based planning vs. Fund-driven process*

- Capital Needs Assessment - 20 year plan
- County-wide Paving - 20 year plan
- Capital Improvements Plan - 5 year plan
- Budget - 2 year cycles
- MSBUs - highly variable

# Growth and Expectations

Traffic patterns are changing

- Corridors
- Intersections
- Traffic Calming
- FDOT, MPO, and Regional Partners

# Traffic Calming Program

- Growth and new traffic patterns
- Enforcement, min-to-max engineering
- Signs, restrictions, speed tables, etc.
- Studies are lengthy
- Goal = data + design standards for decisions

# Corridors and Intersections

- *Optimization*
- Signalization
- Capital Improvements
- Safety, Capacity, Development
- Limited options

# Recommendations

## 1. Consistent Policy

- ROW, Traffic Calming, Project prioritization
- Project requests, process, timeline expectations

## 2. Data-driven Decision Making

- Objective, measurable, documented
- Apply standards of FDOT, AASHTO, ITE



# In the Works

- Policy development for BCC consideration
  - Right of Way, Traffic Calming, Transportation Agenda
- Asset Management System will provide:
  - Condition assessments (pavement, age, etc.)
  - Calculated costs of maintaining infrastructure
  - Dashboard for transportation "scores"
  - Dashboard of future projects and timelines

# Charlotte County Right of Way (ROW) Ordinance



# Background

- Current ordinance is from 1985
- Design standards in ordinance
- Correcting issues within the ROW

# Proposed Changes

- Permits
  - Duration
  - Types of activities
  - Permits issued in error clause
- Permittees
  - Qualifications
  - Insured
  - Indemnification clause
- Responsibility of adjacent property owners
- Design standards

# Charlotte County ROW Ordinance



# ROW Violations



# Next Steps

- Receiving comments from stakeholders
- Roundtable meetings
- BCC for approval