

RESOLUTION 2017- 90

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NORTH FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA TO FUND AND COMPLETE AN AREA WIDE COMPREHENSIVE TRAFFIC STUDY IN PONTE VEDRA/PALM VALLEY AREA

WHEREAS, Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley area of St. Johns County is experiencing traffic congestion and residents are concerned about the inadequacy of the current roadway system to handle additional traffic in the future; and,

WHEREAS, the Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley area is nearing build out and expansion of the existing roadway infrastructure is limited; and,

WHEREAS, the local citizens have organized the Citizen's Traffic Task Force (CTTF) consisting of community leaders representing a large portion of the area's residents to address a solution to the traffic challenge; and,

WHEREAS, the CTTF concluded that an area-wide traffic study in Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley from J Turner Butler Boulevard to Palm Valley Road/Mickler Road is needed to evaluate existing roadway infrastructure, identify opportunities for expansion, and explore new transportation corridors; and,

WHEREAS, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners voted unanimously on December 15, 2015 to support the CTTF in seeking funding from the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) through the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for Fiscal Year 2016-18 to support an area wide Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley comprehensive traffic study; and,

WHEREAS, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners voted unanimously on March 15, 2016 to provide matching funds in phases and allocated \$63,222.00 for this Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley area comprehensive study from the proportionate share payment required by the Lakes at Ponte Vedra PUD; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of traffic study is contracted for \$174,272.00 with HNTB, the North Florida TPO general planning consult; and,

WHEREAS, the North Florida TPO will provide \$111,050.00 of the total cost from the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for this project; and,

WHEREAS, St. Johns County will be required to provide a local matching fund for this study in the amount of \$63,222.00 from the proportionate fair share payment received from the Lakes at Ponte Vedra PUD; and,

WHEREAS, both the North Florida TPO and the County seek to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding in order to set forth duties and requirements of each party; and,

WHEREAS, a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between the North Florida TPO and the County has been attached and incorporated as a part of this Resolution; and,

WHEREAS, the County has determined that by entering into, and agreeing to the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding, the overall interest of the County will be served.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT:

1. The above recitals are incorporated into the body of this resolution, and such recitals are adopted as findings of fact.
2. The Board of County Commissioners approves the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding between the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization and the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, in order to fund and complete an area wide comprehensive traffic study for the Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley area.
3. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tenor, or concept of this resolution, then this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, State of Florida, this 21 day of MARCH 2017.

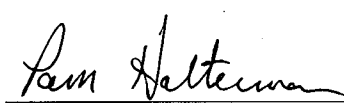
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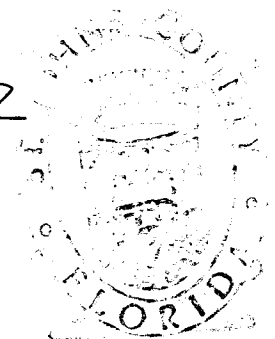

James K. Johns, Chair

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By: _____


Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 3/23/17



Memorandum of Understanding

**Between the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization and the Board of County
Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida**

At the request of the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida TPO) is conducting a comprehensive traffic study for the Ponte Vedra/Palm Valley area. This study will assess the need for traffic and safety improvements including both transportation systems management strategies and capacity improvements.

The North Florida TPO general planning consultant, HNTB will be providing professional services for the study for \$174,272. Compensation to HNTB for this work effort will come from the Unified Planning Work Program, the North Florida TPO's task based budget which provides funding for studies such as this and from funding provided by St. Johns County. This MOU establishes the following:

1. The North Florida TPO will provide a total of \$111,050 from the Unified Planning Work Program with the remaining \$63,222 to be provided by St. Johns County.
2. Whereas HNTB is contracted by the North Florida TPO to do this study, St. Johns County will be invoiced by the North Florida TPO for its portion (\$63,222). HNTB will invoice the North Florida TPO for compensation for work completed.
3. Denise Bunnewith with the North Florida TPO will serve as project manager with assistance from Phong Nguyen, St. Johns County Transportation Development Manager.
4. The maximum indebtedness of the North Florida TPO will not exceed \$\$111,050 and the maximum indebtedness of St. Johns County will not exceed \$63,222.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

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Deputy Clerk

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NORTH FLORIDA TPO:

By: _____
**Denise Bunnewith
Planning Director**

By: _____
**Jeff Sheffield
Executive Director**