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Sent: Friday, April 29, 2016 4:11 PM
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Subject: Request for TDC consideration

Julie,

This request may come too late to be an add-on to the next set of northend committee and board meetings for the TDC but I am hopeful you will consider bringing this request forward to the TDC as soon as possible.

I would like the TDC's consideration to reallocate a portion of the remaining \$54,986.25 currently available for sidewalk improvements in Bagdad to go towards improvements in the Bagdad Mill Site Park. The \$417,000 previously allocated from the TDC and expended in the park has been vital to development of Phase I improvements; however, there are still significant needs in the park. There are no other funding sources available at this time to meet the immediate needs at the Bagdad Mill Site Park. I have detailed the background on this item and attached documents that will be helpful in your review.

Background

In June 2009, public works provided an estimate to construct two sidewalk segments in Bagdad described as follows:

- 1) Sidewalk to extend along Henry Street from the intersection of Canal Street in Milton, to Main Street in Bagdad.
- 2) Sidewalk to extend along Main Street from the Bagdad Mill Site, to Henry Street, and then along Old Bagdad Highway from Henry Street to a point approximately 150 feet west of North New Street.

The construction estimate provided by Public Works was equal to \$82,005.

The Board of County Commissioners approved the following action at the June 11, 2009 meeting:

Recommend the following regarding development of Bagdad Heritage Trail connection between Bagdad and the City of Milton. Salter moved approval without objection. Construction by County forces of sidewalks at an estimated cost of \$82,000.00 funded by TDC allocation for the project.

Budget Amendment 2009-131 was approved on July 9, 2009 which moved \$82,000 from TDC Reserves and transferred to Road and Bridge Multi-Purpose Path line for expenditure.

In late 2010, early 2011, Public Works completed a portion of the sidewalk extending along the north side of Old Bagdad Hwy from Forsyth St to just west of School Street at a total cost of \$37,399.89 (including materials, labor and equipment). Per Avis Whitfield, Public Works chose not to recoup overtime or for the materials already held in stock, therefore only \$7,731.49 was charged to the expenditure account leaving \$74,268.51 available for expenditure. Those funds were carried forward through this year. Earlier in the year, the following sidewalk related expenditures were made to improve the sidewalks in Bagdad leading to the Bagdad Mill Site Park.

Florida Concrete Concepts	1/12/2016	\$8,134.50	Main St (sidewalk)
Florida Concrete Concepts	2/5/2016	\$1,834.25	Main St (sidewalk)
Florida Concrete Concepts	2/15/2016	\$1,565.00	Forsyth/Main (Bagdad) sidewalk/inlet lid/repair curb
Florida Concrete Concepts	2/16/2016	\$7,750.00	Forsyth/Main (Bagdad) sidewalk/handicap ramps

As you may know, the sidewalk project described as number 2 above is currently on hold due to the uncertainty associated right of way issues, utility issues and permitting concerns. Shawn Ward, Transportation Planner, has been pursuing Community Enhancement Project funding for design of the Henry Street / Milton Bagdad connector path before additional sidewalk funds are expended.

As of today, the balance of the original allocation of \$82,000 Bagdad Sidewalk project funds is \$54,986.25. These funds are budgeted in Road & Bridge Multi-purpose path line (2100-5630041) for expenditure.

The request that I would ask for TDC's consideration is to reallocate a portion of the remaining \$54,986.25 to improvements in the Bagdad Mill Site Park. The \$417,000 previously allocated from the TDC and expended in the park has been vital to development of Phase I improvements; however, there are still significant needs in the park. There are no other funding sources available at this time for the Bagdad Mill Site Park. If \$25,000 could be reallocated, funding would remain in the sidewalk budget line in Road & Bridge Dept to support the ongoing efforts to provide pedestrian connectivity between Bagdad and Milton.

If the TDC is in support of the reallocation, these funds would specifically be spent on the following or similar items with estimate costs shown:

- 1) Completion of Entrance Gates (\$ 500.00)
- 2) Completion of Entrance Fencing (\$ 750.00)
- 3) Completing concrete work for amenities installation (park benches, picnic tables, etc) (\$ 500.00)
- 4) Installing all Amenities (Parks) (\$ 200.00 Misc)
- 5) Install Curbing Around Pavement Opening at Kayak Parking (\$200.00)
- 6) Electrical Connection for Irrigation well. (\$3000.00)
- 7) Additional Sod Funding for Retention Pond and Around Parking erosion areas 25 Pallets (\$ 2500.00)
- 8) Additional Sod Funding for Kayak Parking Erosion 8 Pallets (\$ 800)
- 9) Port-o-let ADA Platform for Kayak Launch (\$ 1400.00)
- 10) Electrical Connection for Lighting at Board walk (\$ 1500.00)
- 11) Split Rail Fencing at Entrance (80LF) \$ 900.00
- 12) Additional landscaping for aesthetic purposes (\$2,000)
- 13) Install light poles and wiring necessary to install a security light at the kayak launch (\$4,100)
- 14) Additional trash cans (\$3,600)

Please call me to discuss.

Thanks,

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