



Board Action Fact Sheet

Meeting Date: December 8, 2021

Agenda Item: X - A

Roll Call Vote: Yes

Action Requested:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests approval of an amendment to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Reason:

The project, Hicks Avenue (formerly Terry Avenue) Extension, located in the Griffin Park Historic District, was originally included as part of the I-4 Ultimate project because the Ultimate configuration removed/relocated ramps and now provides the opportunity to construct an extension of Hicks Avenue from Gore Street to Anderson Street with complete street features, including two roundabouts, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and drainage ponds.

FDOT has determined that the project will now be let and constructed as a separate project outside the I-4 Ultimate Concessionaire Agreement. As described in the letter found in the Supporting Information, FDOT has requested the Hicks Avenue project be added to the 2045 MTP's Cost Feasible Plan. To ensure planning consistency, Table 6 (Interstate Highway/Strategic Intermodal System) of the Cost Feasible Plan will be revised to include the new reasonably available revenue and associated project listing.

Summary/Key Information:

Requested amendments to be made exclusively to Table 6 found in the *Cost Feasible Plan* documentation of the adopted 2045 MTP. Items of particular significance for Committees and the Board are as follows:

- New reasonably available revenue/funds in the amount of \$6,028,242 added to Table 6 within 2020-2025 planning period.
- New fully-funded project to be included in Table 6:
 - Hicks Avenue (formerly Terry Avenue Extension) from Gore Street to Anderson Street. Project Description: Extension of Hicks Ave including Complete Streets design, two (2) roundabouts, and drainage ponds. Construction funded in 2020-2025 planning period.

MetroPlan Budget Impact: None

Local Funding Impact: None

Committee Action: CAC: to be determined; meeting on 12/01/21.
TSMO: to be determined; meeting on 12/03/21.
TAC: to be determined; meeting on 12/03/21.
MAC: to be determined; meeting on 12/02/21.

Staff Recommendation: Recommends Approval.

Supporting Information: The following documents are provided at Board Agenda Tab 2:
1) FDOT MTP Amendment Request Letter, dated 11/17/21.
2) Public Comments on 2045 MTP Amendment (to be made available following close of comment period on 12/6/2021).



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November 17, 2021

Mr. Gary Huttman, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Huttman:

RE: Request to Amend Adopted 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests MetroPlan Orlando amend the Adopted 2045 MTP to accommodate changes to project as part of the I-4 Ultimate Program. Hicks Avenue (formerly Terry Avenue) Extension **FM# 432193-5** was first added to the I-4 Ultimate project in 2013 as requested by the City of Orlando. This project will help reconnect the Griffin Park Historic District, which had previously been surrounded by the SR 408 interchange ramps which separated it from neighboring communities and neighborhoods. This project is possible since the I-4 Ultimate project will remove the ramps and provide the opportunity to construct an extension of Hicks Avenue from Gore Street to Anderson Street with complete street features, including two roundabouts, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, drainage ponds, and the much needed and desired connection between neighborhoods. During 2020, FDOT worked closely with the City of Orlando as it planned and designed this project to achieve the goal of creating complete streets and enhancements to reconnect these neighborhoods and community which will support further residential development and continuity.

The project will be constructed as its own segment outside of the I-4 Ultimate Concessionaire Agreement and has gone through extensive public engagement and community outreach since 2015 when the City of Orlando developed the Parramore Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan. The project has received support from the Parramore Community Engagement Council and City Commissioner Regina Hill. A community outreach and education plan has been developed which includes a website containing videos, images, and handouts. A media release about the improvements has been planned in conjunction with the City of Orlando's community event. Community Open House dates are scheduled for December 7, 9, and 14, 2021. The City of Orlando will also participate in the outreach.

Details about this project should be reflected in the LRTP as follows:

FM #432193-5

Project Name	Project Limits	Description	Phase	Cost and Funding Source	Time Band
Hicks Avenue (Formerly Terry Avenue) Extension	Gore Street to Anderson Street	Extension of Hicks Ave., complete streets design, two roundabouts, drainage ponds.	CST	\$5,787,989 - ACNP \$214,603 - DIOH \$25,650 - DIH TOTAL = \$6,028,242	2020-25

Please make sure that the amendment date is reflected on the cover page of the adopted LRTP document, and the amended information is reflected in the Cost Feasible Plan and other affected pages regarding these projects.

Sincerely,

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