MEMORANDUM

To: Tom Harmer, Town Manager

From: Isaac Brownman, Public Works Director

Report date: March 15, 2021

Meeting date: March 22, 2021

Subject: FDOT Update Regarding US 41 @ Gulfstream Roundabout

Recommended Action

None, informational only.

Background

The Town of Longboat Key is an island community with access on and off island via a single State road known as SR 789, also known as Gulf of Mexico Drive (GMD). This road is owned and maintained by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). SR 789 leads off the island both North and South and connects to other State road arterials and collectors to reach the mainland in both Sarasota and Manatee counties. The Town remains keenly interested in both on-island and off-island roadway projects, which may impact island traffic, particularly during season (January through April).

One such set of roadways is John Ringling Causeway that becomes Gulfstream Avenue as it intersects with US 41, providing mainland access through the City of Sarasota. A roundabout has been in the planning and design phases for a number of years and is about to be constructed at this intersection. The Town requested this presentation by the FDOT regarding the US 41 @ Gulfstream Roundabout. Items to be discussed include:

- Construction Schedule start-to-finish and major milestones
- Maintenance of Traffic Plan (multi-phase)
- Ultimate build-out form and function

In addition, FDOT will be available to discuss the ongoing negotiations with Ritz Carlton regarding construction of a temporary pedestrian overpass.

Staff Recommendation

None, informational only.

Attachments

PowerPoint Presentation (Available from Town Clerk's Office)

End of Agenda Item