

# **Pinellas County**

## Staff Report

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## Subject:

Interlocal Agreement with the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority to identify future transportation solutions.

## **Recommended Action:**

Approval of the Interlocal Agreement with the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority to identify future transportation solutions.

- On October 23, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners directed staff to develop an initial interlocal agreement to allow for the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority (THEA) to analyze potential toll facility solutions that will benefit the citizens of the County.
- THEA will be fully responsible for the total cost of the Sketch Level Analysis and neither party
  will have any funding obligations toward additional analysis until such time that a separate
  project and specific interlocal agreement is brought forward before both the County and THEA
  boards for approval.
- County staff will be responsible for any public engagement and stakeholder feedback on the sketch level analysis.

Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Court to attest.

## Strategic Plan:

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

- 4.4 Invest in infrastructure to meet current and future needs
- 4.5 Provide safe and effective transportation systems to support the efficient flow of motorists, commerce, and regional connectivity

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

- 5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach
- 5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources
- 5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

#### Summary:

This interlocal agreement is for the purpose of identifying potential transportation solutions for tolling opportunities, and creating partnership opportunities on toll viable corridors within the County.

#### **Background Information:**

Per the Board's direction at the October 23, 2018 meeting, staff and the Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority (THEA) developed the initial interlocal agreement for the purpose of setting forth the relationship of both parties with respect to general responsibilities in order to provide analysis on potential toll facility solutions that will benefit the citizens of the County. This analysis will

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feature the development of a Sketch Level Analysis by THEA for submission and approval by the Board of County Commissioners in consideration of future transportation solutions and partnership opportunities.

THEA will be fully responsible for the total cost of the Sketch Level Analysis to the extent that it is provided for within the approved THEA Work Program (Traffic/Revenue, Constructability and Financial Options). Neither the County nor THEA will have any funding obligations toward additional analysis until such time that a separate project specific Interlocal Agreement is brought forward before both the County and THEA Boards for approval to develop and proceed with additional phases of individual project development.

Additionally, public involvement is beyond the scope of the initial Sketch Level Analysis as defined in this agreement. County staff will be responsible for any public involvement and stakeholder engagement related to the sketch level analysis. If projects move beyond the sketch level analysis, public involvement activities will be included in future project specific interlocal agreements as additional project development phases are approved by the respective Boards.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

## **Staff Member Responsible:**

Adnan Javed, Director, Public Works

#### Partners:

THFA

## **Attachments:**

Interlocal Agreement