

Public Comments
Orange County BCC Meeting 04/24/18

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My name is Kimberly Buchheit, a concerned citizen of Orange County.

Thank you Mayor and Board for all your hard work.

I appreciate the opportunity to make comments.

I am a Professional Land Surveyor. I have been surveying in Central Florida for over 30 years. I take pride in being able to contribute to improving our community and I enjoy working with Orange County.

During the 1990's, my firm performed surveys to create Conservation Easements over Split Oak Forest. The protections put in place for Split Oak Forest, were clearly intended to be there "Forever".

This is why I have taken a personal interest in the Osceola Parkway Extension studies currently being conducted by CFX and how the alignments will impact Split Oak Forest. I am opposed to any major transportation corridors going through conservation lands unless there is simply no other alternative.

AND IN THIS CASE, THERE ARE OTHER ALTERNATIVES. 

I'd like to express concern over a few items that I have noticed recently.

1) Though CFX has only recently approved the PD&E Study phase of the project, they have already started the process to acquire right-of-way parcels.

CFX approved Osceola County's agreement to purchase parcel 112A in Orange County for Osceola Parkway Extension without complying with terms set forth in Orange County Resolution 2014-M-34.

I called this to their attorney's attention, so CFX is aware of this requirement and the Resolution was formally made part of the CFX record in March.

According to the Resolution, Orange County BCC must give written consent to the Alignment and must go through an additional community meeting process before doing so. I imagine that you are already aware of this requirement.

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2) I'd like to go on the record to commend the Orange County BCC for their vision in putting this Resolution in place to protect the citizens of Orange County.

I'd like ask for the Commissioners to hold firmly to the ^{ROBUST} process that is set forth in the Resolution when the time comes.

AND THAT TIME IS NOW!

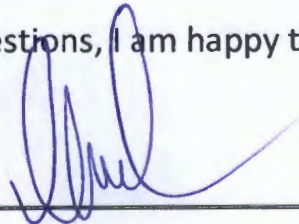
3) I would also like to make you aware that the Osceola County and Tavistock are negotiating a deal that will lock in a specific alignment through Split Oak Forest.

The deal will limit the geometric possibilities of the alignment and will in effect commit a portion of the alignment in Orange County to a pre-determined location by virtue of the design criteria and constraints.

I ask that you request that Osceola County and CFX inform you of any decisions that impact the alignment calculations and directly affect the specific location of the Orange County portion of the project and apply the terms of the Resolution to these matters as well.

If you have any questions, I am happy to be of assistance.

Thank You again!



Kimberly A. Buchheit, PSM
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Osceola Parkway Extension Current Alternatives

1) CFX Board Meeting 4/12/18
(Approved)
Consent Agenda Item 12

Approximate Location Parcel 112A
Project 599-2260

Base Map Excerpted from
3/8/18 CH2M Presentation
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3) Any Alignment section that has been determined at County Line (or in any location) limits geometric possibilities for remaining sections of alignment

Osceola County has appeared to commit to Alignment Refinement 1A through Split Oak Forest to agree with deal with Tavistock

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APPROVED
BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION

of the

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

regarding the

OSCEOLA PARKWAY EXTENSION PROJECT

Resolution No. 2014 - M-34

WHEREAS, the Osceola County Expressway Authority is presently considering extending the existing 12-mile long Osceola Parkway from a point west of Boggy Creek Road to a point east of Narcoossee Road ("Osceola Parkway Extension");

WHEREAS, an alignment being considered by the Osceola County Expressway Authority (or its consultant) for the Osceola Parkway Extension lies wholly or partially within the geographical boundaries of Orange County;

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") is concerned on behalf of its citizens about any alignment that might lie wholly or partially within Orange County;

WHEREAS, consistent with applicable state statutes, the Board believes and asserts that it has the right to review and approve or reject any alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension that might lie wholly or partially within Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Board also believes and asserts that prior to the Osceola County Expressway Authority considering for approval any alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension that might lie wholly or partially within the geographical boundaries of Orange County, the Osceola County Expressway Authority should host duly noticed community

meetings at a location within the vicinity of the proposed alignment that is convenient to the residents and owners of land and businesses within Orange County who may be affected or impacted by such alignment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY:

Section 1. Alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension Subject to the Board's Review and Consent. Any proposed alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension that might lie wholly or partially within the geographical boundaries of Orange County is subject to review by the Orange County Board of County Commissioners, and shall not be added to the Osceola Parkway unless and until the alignment receives the prior express written consent of this Board.

Section 2. Alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension Subject to Review at Community Meetings Held in Orange County. Any proposed alignment of the Osceola Parkway Extension that might lie wholly or partially within the geographical boundaries of Orange County should not be considered for approval or formally proposed by the Osceola County Expressway Authority unless and until the proposed alignment is the subject to additional noticed community meetings held at a location inside Orange County that is convenient to the residents and owners of land and businesses within the vicinity of the proposed alignment.

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Section 3. *Effective date.* This Resolution shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED this 15th day of JULY, 2014.

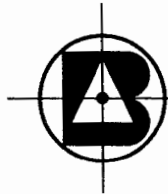


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