

RESOLUTION NO: _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING ALIGNMENT

Thompson Nursery Road Phase II

WHEREAS, the Polk County Board of County Commissioners ("Board"), after being fully informed on the matter and upon proper consideration, has previously authorized improvements for the widening of Thompson Nursery Road Phase II ("Project") as part of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP); and

WHEREAS, the alignment study attached hereto as "Exhibit A" has been completed for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the alignment study was conducted to develop route alternatives and determine the preferred alignment for the Project; and

WHEREAS, prior to this Board approving the recommended alignments for the widening of Thompson Nursery Road Phase II recommended in "Exhibit A", this Board considered several factors including, without limitation, alternative routes, environmental impact, costs, long range planning, and safety; and

WHEREAS, this Board, after proper consideration, makes the following findings for the alignment recommended in "Exhibit A":

A. ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: The Board of County Commissioners considered various alternatives, the costs thereof, and projected improvements to the levels of service before approving the recommended alignment for this Project which provides the best alignment for the existing and future roadway. Because this Project is to widen existing roadway along an established route no alternative routes were considered.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS: Necessary permits will be submitted to appropriate permitting agencies. The recommended alignment will have minimized adverse impacts to the environment and it is anticipated that no adverse environmental impacts will result from this recommended alignment.

C. COSTS: The recommended alignments are cost effective within the required designed criteria.

D. LONG RANGE PLANNING: The recommended alignment is consistent with the long range plan for Polk County and is part of the CIP previously adopted by the Board, and it complements prior improvements made by and future improvements planned by Polk County;

E. SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS: The recommended alignment improves traffic safety by allowing the addition of travel lanes, drainage, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and/or bike lanes to the existing corridor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, in regular session duly assembled, find that the above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein. The Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida after due consideration hereby approves the recommended alignment in "Exhibit A" for the widening of Thompson Nursery Road Phase II. Deviations to the alignment may be made as needed to address engineering and construction issues that may arise during the engineering and construction of this project.

This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND CERTIFIED AS TO PASSAGE this 20th day of May, 2025.

ATTEST: Stacy M. Butterfield, Clerk

POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA

Board of County Commissioners

By: _____

Deputy Clerk

By: _____

Rick Wilson, Chairman

EXHIBIT A