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- S.R. 45/U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West and at 26<sup>th</sup> Street West in Palmetto, Manatee County; FPID 444440-1.
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# **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **S.R. 45/U.S Business 41**

### **at 23<sup>rd</sup> St West and at 26<sup>th</sup> St West**

FDOT District One, Financial Project Identification Number 444440-1-52-01

Introduction

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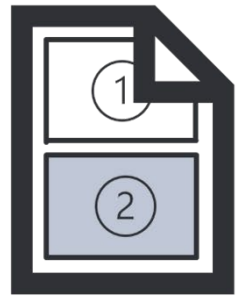
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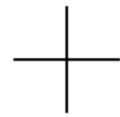
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# Tonight's Program

- Open House
- Project team
- Public Hearing process
- Project presentation
- Public comment

# Project Team

- Alex Carlson, Project Manager, Atkins North America, Inc. on behalf of FDOT
- Karen Van den Avont, Engineer of Record, Protean Design Group, Inc. on behalf of FDOT
- Nathan Kautz, Traffic Safety Engineer, FDOT District One
- Brian Rick, Communications Officer, FDOT District One



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# Public Notice

**PUBLIC HEARING  
US BUSINESS 41 DESIGN PROJECT**

At 23rd Street West and at 26th Street West

Financial Project ID: 444440-1

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One invites you to attend a public hearing on February 11, 2021, as part of the design process for proposed safety improvements to the intersections at 23rd Street West and at 26th Street West on U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) in Palmetto, Manatee County. A 5:30 p.m. Open House will precede the 6 p.m. Public Hearing presentation; public comments will be accepted immediately following the presentation.

The proposed project design will add temporary medians at the 23rd Street West and the 26th Street West intersections; U.S. Business 41 will also be resurfaced from 17th Street West to approximately 700 feet north of the U.S. Business 41/26th Street West intersection. The temporary medians will remain in place until permanent improvements are installed. Anticipated permanent improvements include a roundabout at the 23rd Street West intersection and a raised median at the 26th Street West intersection.

To allow for maximum participation, the public hearing will be held in-person and simultaneously broadcast on an interactive online platform.

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ONLINE	IN-PERSON
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To participate by phone, call 1-562-247-8422 and enter access code 754-859-863.	Register by contacting: Miranda Lansdale <a href="mailto:Miranda.Lansdale@dot.state.fl.us">Miranda.Lansdale@dot.state.fl.us</a> or call 941-315-0862.

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PUBLIC HEARING**

U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) at 23rd Street West and at 26th Street West Intersections - Design  
Palmetto, Manatee County, Florida  
Financial Project Identification Number (FPID): 444440-1

DATE: February 11, 2021  
TIME: 5:30 p.m. Open House, 6 p.m. Formal Presentation followed by Public Comment  
LOCATION: Online via GoToWebinar and in-person at Palmetto City Hall, 516 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida 34221. Registration information is below.

The Florida Department of Transportation, District One, invites you to attend a public hearing on February 11, 2021 as part of the design process for proposed safety improvements to U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) in Palmetto, Manatee County. The purpose of the public hearing is to present information and obtain input on the design of temporary medians at the 23rd Street West and the 26th Street West intersections. A 5:30 p.m. Open House will precede the 6 p.m. Public Hearing presentation; public comments will be accepted immediately following the presentation.

To allow for maximum participation, the public hearing will be held in-person and simultaneously broadcast on an interactive online platform. Interested persons may participate in-person at the Palmetto City Hall, 516 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida, 34221, or they may participate online using GoToWebinar. All participants, regardless of the platform they choose, will participate in the same live hearing.

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The Florida Department of Transportation, District 1, announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 11, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Online via GoToWebinar (register at <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5092779942351359244>) or Palmetto City Hall, 516 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida 34221 (email [Miranda.Lansdale@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Miranda.Lansdale@dot.state.fl.us) to attend in person)

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#### U.S. BUSINESS 41 (VALENCIA DRIVE) ACCESS CHANGES AT 23RD STREET WEST AND AT

**District:** One

**Meeting Type:** Hearing

**Date:** Thursday, February 11, 2021

**Time:** 5:30 pm to N/A

**Location Name:** Hybrid Public Hearing – Online and In-person

**Street Address:** See information below

**City:** Palmetto

**Directions:** [For more information visit SWFLRoads.com under Future Projects](#)

**Purpose:**

The Florida Department of Transportation, District One, will hold a public hearing as part of the design process for proposed safety improvements to U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) in Palmetto, Manatee County (Financial Project Identification Number 444440-1). The purpose of the public hearing is to present information and obtain input on the design of temporary medians at the 23rd Street West and the 26th Street West intersections. A 5:30 p.m. Open House will precede the 6 p.m. Public Hearing presentation; public comments will be accepted immediately following the presentation.

# Materials Available for Review

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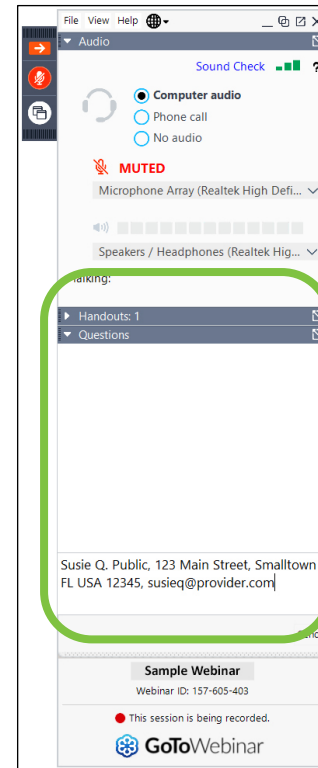
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# Submitting Comments During Tonight's Hearing

## In-person Participants

- Turn in a Speaker Request Card to speak or
- Turn in a Comment Form to submit a written statement



## Online Participants

- Type contact information to request to speak or
- Type contact information + written comment

# Submitting Comments After Tonight's Hearing



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# **S.R. 45/U.S. Business 41 at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West and at 26<sup>th</sup> Street West**

**FDOT District One, Financial Project Identification Number 444440-1-52-01**

**Project Presentation**

# Project Area



U.S. Business 41 intersection with  
23<sup>rd</sup> Street West

U.S. Business 41 intersection with  
26<sup>th</sup> Street West/Bayshore Road

17<sup>th</sup> Street West



# Current Conditions – 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West

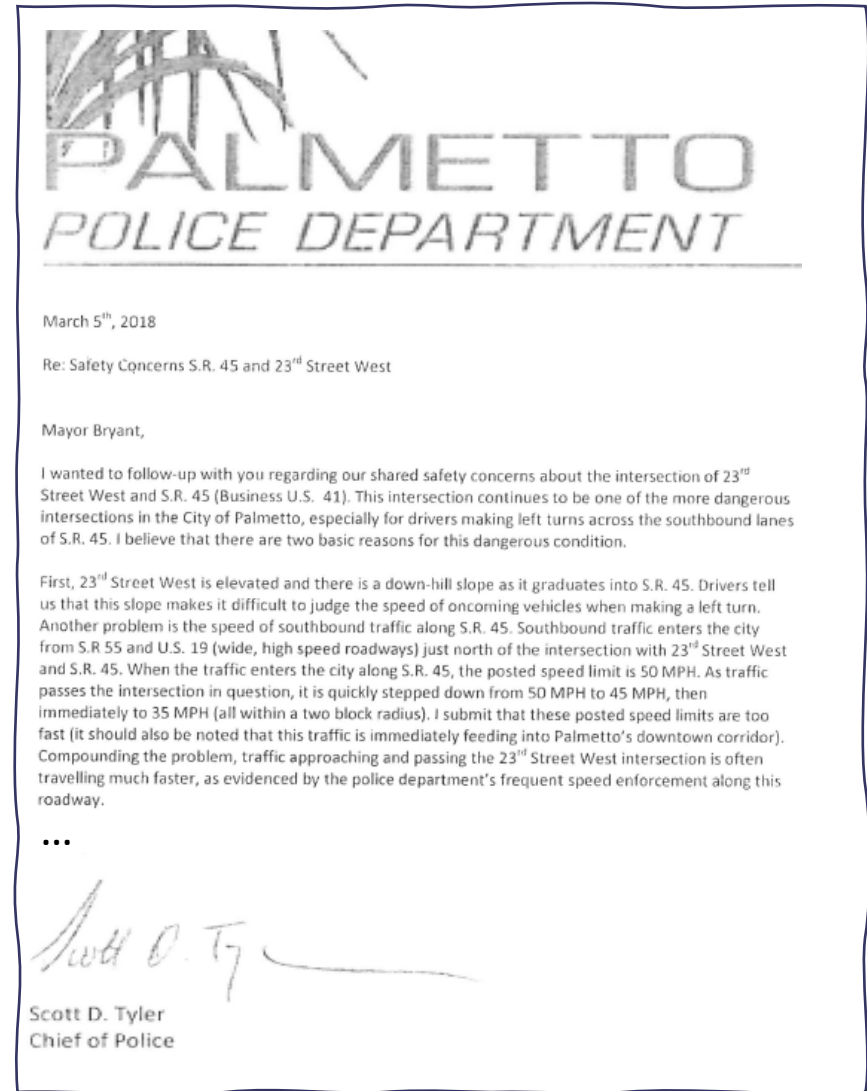


# Current Conditions – 26<sup>th</sup> Street West



# Safety Statistics 2014 - 2018

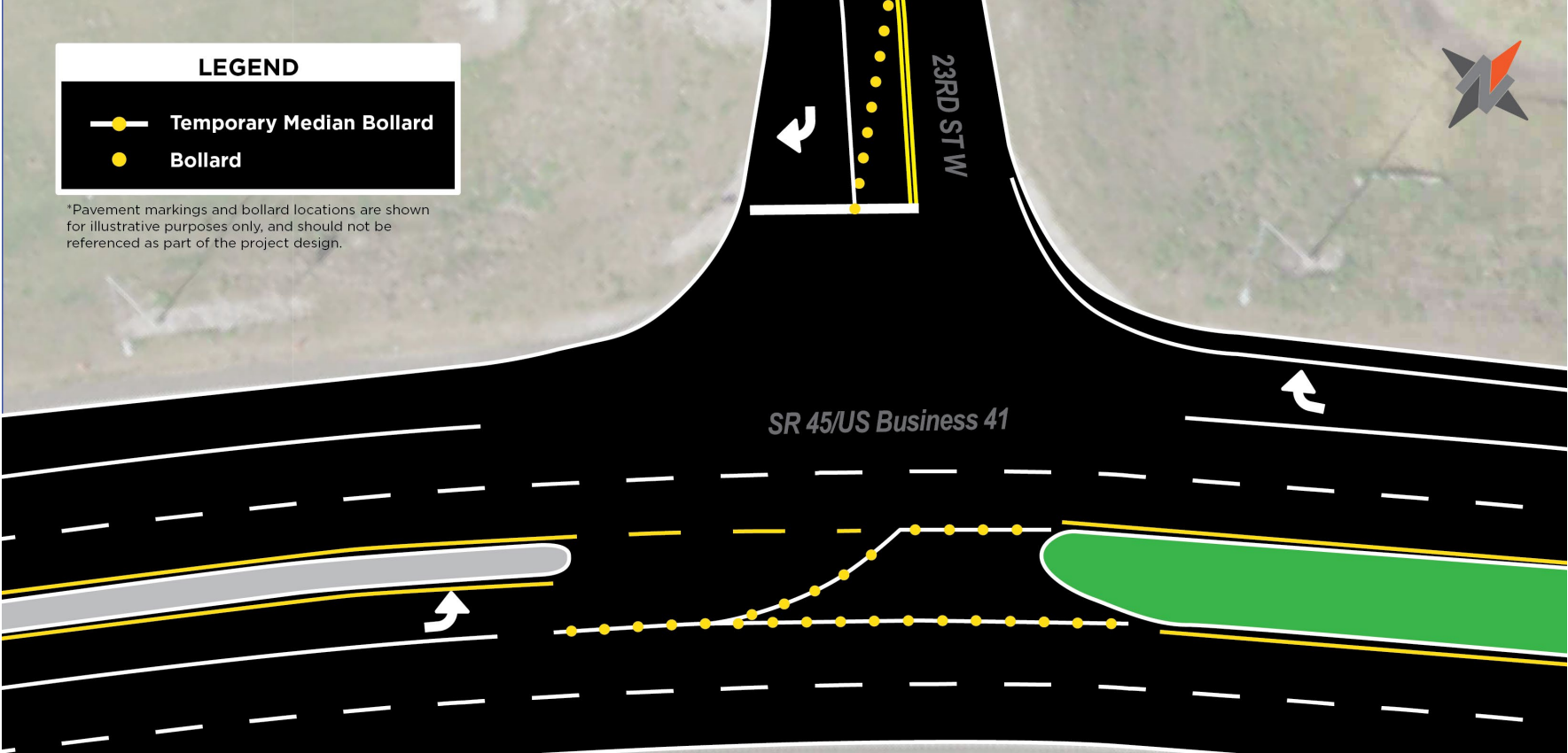
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West intersection: 43 crashes (23 with serious injuries, 2 with fatalities)
- 26<sup>th</sup> Street West intersection: 51 crashes (29 with serious injuries, 1 with a fatality)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> highest priority “open median conversion” project in FDOT District 1



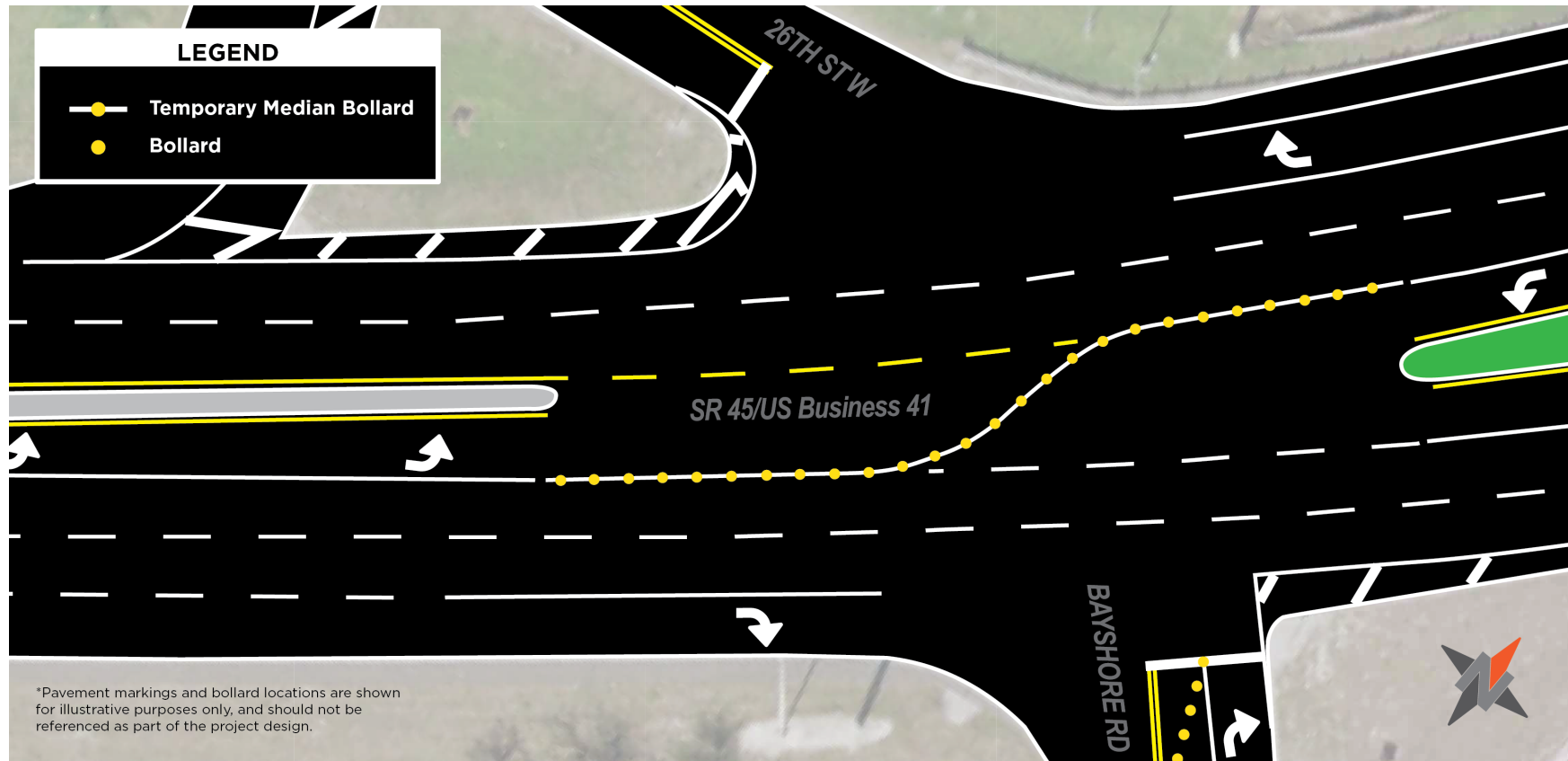
# Phased Approach

- Short-term: temporary medians
  - Manage access to reduce angle and left-turn crashes
  - Could be installed as early as six months after the public hearing
- Long-term: permanent improvements
  - Roundabout at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West
    - Restore access to northbound U.S. Business 41 from 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West while continuing to reduce angle and left-turn crashes
    - Provide “U-turn” function for traffic wanting to travel north from 26<sup>th</sup> Street West
  - Raised median at 26<sup>th</sup> Street West intersection will continue to reduce angle and left-turn crashes

# Temporary Design Conditions – 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West



# Temporary Design Conditions – 26<sup>th</sup> Street West



# Future (Permanent) Improvements

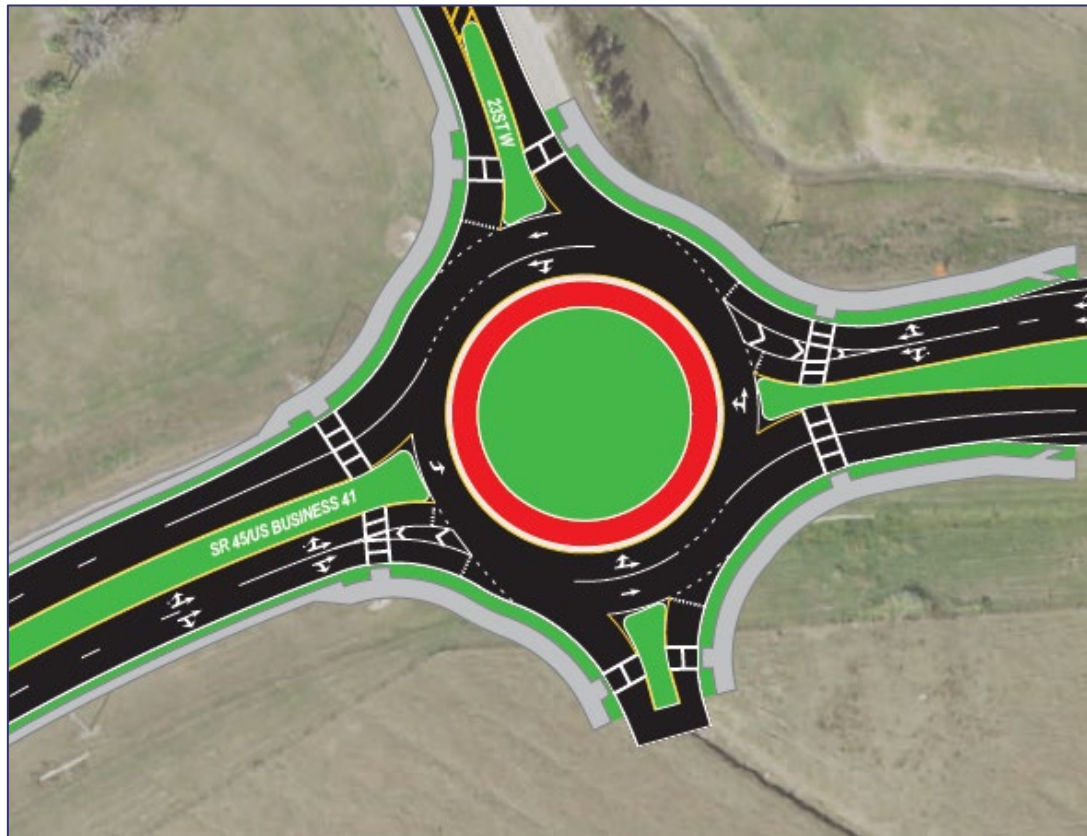
- Multi-lane roundabout at 23<sup>rd</sup> Street West
- Modifications at the intersection at 26<sup>th</sup> Street West/Bayshore Road from a full opening (with temporary median) to a directional opening
- Bicycle keyhole lanes in the right turn lanes at 26<sup>th</sup> Street West/Bayshore Road
- Milling and resurfacing from 17<sup>th</sup> Street West to north of 26<sup>th</sup> Street West/Bayshore Road
- Guardrail, driveway and ADA improvements, minor drainage improvements, pedestrian signal upgrades, lighting, signing, and pavement markings

# Design Plan for Future Improvements





# Magnified Design Plans



# Sample Roundabout

Roundabout at  
State Road 64 and Rye Road  
in Manatee County



# Project Schedule and Cost

- Project design: Fall 2020 through Spring 2021
- Installation of temporary medians: Summer 2021
- Cost of temporary medians: \$16,000

Note: installation of permanent improvements is anticipated in Summer 2023

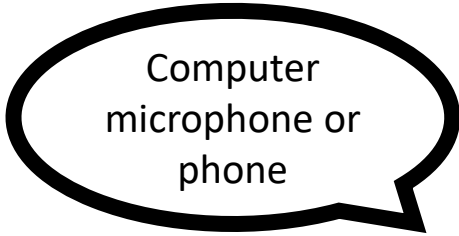


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**Public Comment**

# Public Comment Protocol



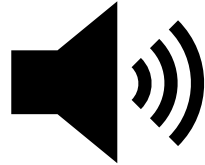
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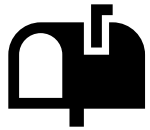
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# Public Hearing Conclusion



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