

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
 FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR
 SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY IMPROVEMENTS AT CORAL
 GABLES SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 450 BIRD
 ROAD, CORAL GABLES**

COMMITTEE: FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION REFORM

Background

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is currently making sidewalk and driveway improvements along LeJeune Road from SW 8th Street to U.S. 1, to comply with The Americans With Disabilities Act. Portions of the project will impact Coral Gables Senior High School, located at 450 Bird Road, Coral Gables (see location map). As part of its scope of work, FDOT will construct a ramp in the existing sidewalk at the southwest corner of Bird Road and LeJeune Road. This will require access onto a portion of the school site, but will have a minimal impact on school operations or the safety of students and staff. In addition, an existing buried traffic signal loop, located on the school site at the intersection of LeJeune Road and Altara Avenue, and used to control the traffic light serving students and staff exiting the property, will be upgraded (see location map). This will require extended work in the school's drive-way, but will be scheduled with the school administrator to assure that all required safety measures are in place and disruptions to the school are kept to a minimum. The sidewalk modification and replacement of the traffic signal loop will not impact the drainage system or any other improvements on the school property. All work will be at the sole cost and expense of FDOT.

Additional Information

The District has negotiated an agreement with FDOT for the construction of the work, under substantially the following terms and conditions:

- any contractors utilized by FDOT in connection with the work shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify the Board for all loss, damages, liability, causes of action, claims, and all associated costs incurred or which may be incurred by the Board as a result of activities associated with the work;
- the FDOT contractor shall obtain general liability and auto insurance listing the Board as an additional insured;

- FDOT shall indemnify, defend and hold the Board harmless to the full extent allowable by Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, with the exception of the negligent performance or failure to perform by the Board or any unrelated third party;
- this agreement shall expire upon the completion of the work on the school site or one hundred eighty (180) days from execution of the agreement, whichever occurs first;
- FDOT shall remove all waste materials from the school, generated by the work, for disposal in accordance with applicable laws and regulations;
- FDOT, upon completion of the work, shall restore the school site to the same or better condition as existed before the commencement of the improvements;
- FDOT, upon completion of the work, shall secure an inspection of the school site from the District, and shall not release its contractor from its contractual obligations or make final payment to the contractor until the District attests to the satisfactory completion of the work, removal of waste material and restoration of the site; and
- FDOT shall coordinate its work on the property with the school site administrator in order to minimize interference with ingress and egress to the school and shall require the contractor to take all necessary safety precautions and implement appropriate safety measures to protect all persons which could potentially be affected, particularly students and staff.

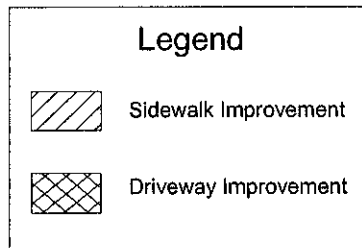
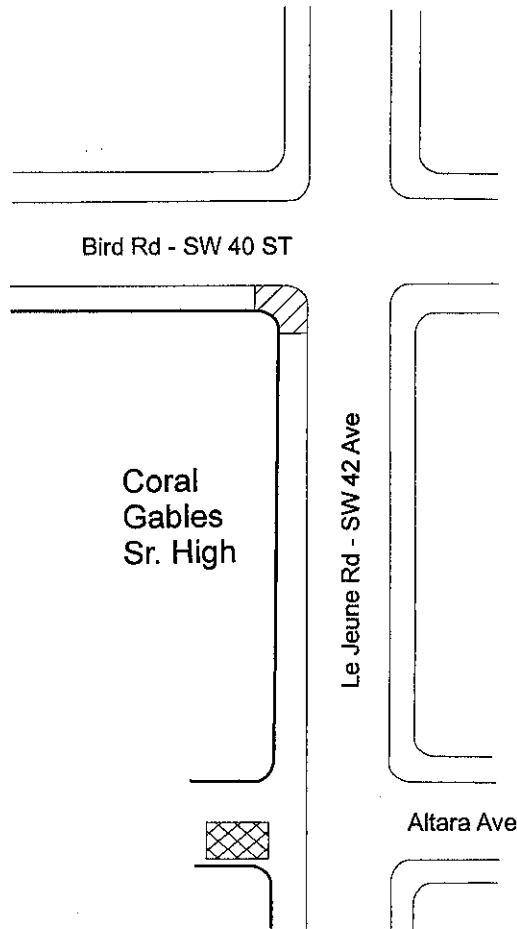
The agreement will be reviewed by the School Board Attorney's Office and the Office of Risk and Benefits Management prior to execution. Maintenance Operations, Advance Planning, Office of Capital Construction and the Region Center Superintendent for Region 4 recommend approval of this agreement.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent or his designee to execute an Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for sidewalk and driveway improvements at Coral Gables Senior High School, under the terms and conditions noted above.

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LOCATION MAP



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