

## SIDEWALK CONNECTIONS W MARION: BAL HARBOR TO SHREVE

Area: City of Punta Gorda  
Location: South side of W Marion Ave. from Bal Harbor to W Henry St., and along W Henry St. to Shreve St.  
Category: Public Safety

Focus Area(s): Infrastructure; Quality of Life

Need:

Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety and connecting residential areas to local businesses, community parks and amenities.

Purpose:

Provide sidewalk improvements to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

Objective:

To provide sidewalks, intersection treatments and enhanced crosswalks.

Project Cost Prior Funding: \$0  
Project Cost Prior from Sales Tax: \$0  
Total Project Cost: \$1,500,000  
Project Cost Required New Sales Tax: \$345,000 – Tier II  
Annual Operating Cost: \$1,500

Will the project impact public health and safety?

If so, how?

Yes, enhance/improve public safety by adding pedestrian; repairing and replacement of aged infrastructure and missing sidewalk connections and intersection enhancements

Will the project foster economic development and create long-term jobs? If so, how?

Yes, safe transportation for pedestrians and bicyclist have a positive impact on economic development

Will the project result in decreased, increased, or no operation and maintenance (O&M) costs?

Yes, new O&M cost will be incurred for sidewalk and lighting maintenance

Will sales tax allow for application of grant funds from another entity?

Yes, sales tax may allow for grant funds from other entities at least via cost sharing scenarios

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2014 sales tax extension?

No

Is this a joint project with another entity?

Yes, joint project between Public Works and Urban Design

Will the project meet a community obligation to serve a special needs segment of the County's population, such as: low-income, aged, or minorities?

Yes, provides missing sidewalks and connections throughout the neighborhood for pedestrian and bicycle safety

Is the project state or federally mandated?  
No

Is the project dependent upon or connected with the completion of another project?  
No

Is the project included in a Master Plan, Comprehensive Plan, or Capital Needs Assessment?

Yes, this project is included in the City of Punta Gorda's Comprehensive Plan Transportation and Recreation and Open Space Elements; Park and Recreation Master Plan, and Capital Needs Assessment

Will the project impact environmental quality of Charlotte County and the City of Punta Gorda? If so, How?

No

Will the project improve quality of life in the City of Punta Gorda?

Yes, by improving overall traffic operations, and providing pedestrian and bicycle facilities

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