

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners  
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20031504

**1. REQUESTED MOTION:**

- ACTION REQUESTED:** Confirm the cost sharing proposal with East Lee County Water Control District for the reconstruction of Abrams and Centennial Boulevards as discussed at the January 5, 2004 M&P Meeting.

**WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:** The Board of County Commissioners must approve expenditures in excess of \$50,000.00.

**WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Provides direction to staff and the East Lee County Water Control District on what the County will require to accept jurisdiction and maintenance responsibilities for Abrams and Centennial Boulevards.

**2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:**

COMMISSION DISTRICT # 5 A9A

**3. MEETING DATE:**

01-06-2004

**4. AGENDA:**

- CONSENT ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS
- PUBLIC WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED:

**5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:**  
(Specify)

- STATUTE
- ORDINANCE
- ADMIN. CODE
- OTHER

**6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:**

- A. COMMISSIONER
- B. DEPARTMENT Transportation
- C. DIVISION

BY: Scott M. Culbertson  
Director

**7. BACKGROUND:**

Abrams and Centennial Boulevards in Lehigh Acres are currently under the jurisdiction of the East County Water Control District rather than Lee County. Since these roads serve as collectors and at least 4 neighborhoods of county maintained roads must access Abrams or Centennial to get to a county maintained arterial and since there are little or no water management purposes, the District is requesting the County to assume jurisdiction and maintenance responsibility of them. (It is unclear why Lehigh Corporation gave the roads to the District rather than the County). Acceptance of roads for maintenance by the County is prescribed in the Road Maintenance Acceptance Policy Administrative Code 11-7. However, in this case due to the history and circumstances of these roads, application of the Administrative Code for this situation does not seem appropriate.

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**8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:**

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services				G County Manager
<u>J. J. J.</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>NA</u>	<u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>OA</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>OM</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>Risk</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>GC</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>	<u>[Signature]</u> <u>12-23-03</u>

**10. COMMISSION ACTION:**

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER

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## 7. BACKGROUND (CON'T)

County staff has worked with District staff in identifying the appropriate repairs to be made to Abrams and Centennial Boulevards in order to make a favorable recommendation to the Board for acceptance of maintenance. The staffs of both agencies have agreed the estimated costs of improvements and repairs to be \$550,000.00. However, the Districts feels the County should contribute one-half of this amount. DOT had countered with a proposal to split the costs two-thirds to the District and one-third to the County. Staff proposed this split because the repairs also would widen the roadway from 22 to 24 feet (approximately 13% of the cost) and also because of the existing usage of the roads (collectors and access to local county maintained roads). This split is also consistent with the existing agreement we have with the District albeit for a different rationale. However, the District did not accept that proposal and the Board of Supervisors on December 15, 2003, officially adopted the offer to pay \$275,000.00 towards the improvements of the road in order for the County to accept jurisdiction and maintenance.

Staff recommends the Board count proposal to the District two-thirds District, one-third County split. Further recommend the District pay the design cost and the County pay the inspection and testing costs.

Funds are available in Account 20468330700.503490