

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

**Blue Sheet No. 20061028**

**1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:** Approve a loan from the General Fund Revolving Loan Program-Roads to advance \$10,000,000 in FY 07/08 to FDOT for improvements to SR82 (Ortiz Avenue to Lee Boulevard) provided a Joint Participation Agreement is executed with FDOT for reimbursement back to the loan program in FY11/12 and include in proposed FY 06/07 Capital Improvement Program budget.

**2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** Advances \$10 million to FDOT in FY 07/08 as part of a funding package for widening SR 82 between I-75 and Lee Boulevard.

**3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval with the understanding that the commitment is null and void should FDOT not agree to reimburse the funds in FY 11/12.

<b>4. Departmental Category:</b> <span style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-left: 50px;">A9C</span>		<b>5. Meeting Date:</b> August 15, 2006
<b>6. Agenda:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Administrative</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-On	<b>7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Statute <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Admin. Code <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<b>8. Request Initiated:</b> Commissioner _____ Department <u>Transportation</u> Division _____ By: <u>Scott M. Gilbertson</u>

**9. Background:** The City of Fort Myers has made a request to the County that the County and City each contribute \$10 million to the SR 82 from Ortiz Avenue to Lee Boulevard Project to help advance the construction from outside the Five Year Work Program to Fiscal Year 07/08. The current construction estimate for this project is \$60 million, of which nothing is currently programmed in the FDOT Five Year Work Program. The funding strategy that is currently being discussed but has not been approved would include \$10 million in funds from FDOT's Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP), a required \$10 million match from the City of Fort Myers for the TRIP money, a \$15 million application by the MPO to the TRIP portion of the State Infrastructure Bank (proposed to be repaid with future MPO allocations) and \$10 million from FDOT's Strategic Intermodal System's Growth Management funds. Assuming all funding options are approved and allocated to this project there would still be a \$15 million shortfall of funds to be able to begin construction.

The \$10 million from the SIS Growth Management funds are not available for this project until FY 11/12. DOT staff is proposing that Lee County through the General Fund Revolving Loan Program advance the \$10 million provided that all other funds are secured for construction and FDOT enters into a Joint Participation Agreement with the County for the \$10 million to be repaid no later than Fiscal Year 11/12. It is DOT's understanding that The City of Fort Myers is also interested in advancing \$10 million from the SIS Growth Management funding.

**10. Review for Scheduling:**

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
<i>S. Gilbertson</i> S. Gilbertson Date: <u>8/4/06</u>				<i>[Signature]</i> 8/4/06	<i>[Signature]</i> 8/4/06	<i>[Signature]</i> 8/4/06	<i>[Signature]</i> 8/4/06	<i>[Signature]</i> J. Lavender Date: <u>8-4-06</u>	

**11. Commission Action:**

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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