

NOKOMIS CENTER REVITALIZATION

Project: RESIDENTIAL SIDEWALKS (TR-7)

Project Type: County and State

Project and Background Description:

Construct sidewalks to Nokomis Community Park (i.e., Nippino Trail, Nash Avenue and Osceola Street), on Colonia Lane west of U.S. 41, and within the Nokomis East Subdivision to connect with Colonia Lane, Albee Farm Road, and Edmondson Road. Evaluate other sidewalk needs such as a sidewalk on Dona Way.

Nokomis residents have noted the need for sidewalks in the residential areas within the Nokomis Center. These areas have narrow streets with little, or no, shoulder area and, in some cases, deep drainage swales along both sides of the roadway. Wider shoulders can also improve pedestrian safety on some of these streets and there may be an opportunity to widen existing roadways when the County resurfaces these roads the next few years, especially in the Bay Point subdivision.

There are already plans to construct sidewalks on Nippino Trail, Nash Avenue and Osecola Street with funding from the Community Block Grant Program. Kilpatrick Road is included the County’s Sidewalk Program, but has not been scheduled for design or construction. The sidewalk project should be limited to the area west of Irene Street to allow Sidewalk Program funding to shift to other needed sidewalk projects in the Nokomis Center. Robbins Road and Old Albee Farm Road sidewalk projects are also in the Sidewalk Program. These sidewalks will to improve pedestrian safety for students walking to the Laurel Nokomis School. Other sidewalks are needed in the Nokomis East subdivision for residents walking to the commercial areas and for students walking to school. Other sidewalks projects can be added to the County's Sidewalk Program for priority ranking along with all other sidewalk.

Preliminary Cost Estimates:

Florence Street (Riverview Boulevard to Albee Farm Road)	\$ 351,010
Kilpatrick Road (Albee Farm Road to Irene Street)	\$ 325,380
Orange Grove Avenue (Edmondson Road to Kilpatrick)	\$ 117,810
River Boulevard (Colonia Lane to Florence)	\$ 115,335
Riverview Drive(Colonia Lane to Florenece Street)	\$ 109,285
Colonia Lane West (U.S. 41 to Cherokee Place)	\$ 94,463
<i>Total Estimated Sidewalk Cost</i>	<i>\$1,113,283</i>

Potential Funding Source(s): County Sidewalk Program, County Road Resurfacing Program, County Street Tree Program, Community Development Block Grant, Transportation Efficiency Act (Residents can assist by donating easements to lower the costs of sidewalk construction.)

Implementation Time Frame: Mid to long term, two to ten years

Responsible Parties: Public Works Construction, Public Works Operations

Steps Required to Implement:

- Work with residents to identify other sidewalk needs in the Nokomis Center.
- Identify other funding sources for sidewalk construction.
- Design, purchase right-of-way and construct sidewalks.

Issues Requiring Further Analysis/Action:

1. Construct a sidewalk on Colonia Lane between U.S. 41 and Albee Farm Road as soon as possible. Coordinate with the County’s Sidewalk Program to construct a sidewalk on Colonia Lane between U.S. 41 and the railroad tracks if necessary.
2. Coordinate planting street trees with sidewalk projects.

