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TEQUESTA PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: James Weinand, Village Manager

From: Douglas M. Chambers, Director Public Works

Subject: Country Club Community Traffic Control and Pedestrian Safety

Date: February 13, 2019

The attached agenda item addresses a request from Country Club Residents to provide Safe Routes for Pedestrians and additional Traffic Calming Devices in the Country Club Community.

I met with Country Club Resident, Sara Uhring, 50 Golfview Dr., and a few neighbors. Mrs. Uhring and her neighbors expressed their concerns about traffic control, speeding, stop signs and residents having to walk in the right of way without a clear safe path. Mrs. Uhring was specifically concerned with roads and right of ways on River Dive, Golfview Drive and the transition to El Portal.

They have requested the following:

- 1. Add stop signs on River Drive and Golfview Drive to slow down traffic. Change the existing 1-way stop signs to 3-Way Stop Signs on River Drive at Club Place, Golfview Drive, Golf Place and View Place.
- 2. Cut back the vegetation in the right of ways on River Dr., Golfview Dr and El Portal.
- 3. Add Sidewalk, Crosswalks and ADA Ramps from River Dr. and Golfview Dr. to El Portal and connect to the existing sidewalk.

In May 2017 under the Direction of Village Manager Couzzo the Public Works Department had pavers installed across the road in 2 designated locations on Golfview Drive. This was the result of a Workshop with the Country Club Community regarding their concerns about speeding vehicles and safe routes for pedestrian traffic.

My Recommendation

- Reach out to the Country Club HOA to obtain local support
- Discuss adding Stop Signs and adding Sidewalk in the right of ways and cutting back vegetation in the ROW.

If we receive Local Support:

- Recommend Tequesta Police Department place Traffic Counters on River Drive and Golfview Drive (compare results to counts that were obtained in 2017)
- ➤ Obtain a Letter of Opinion from a Traffic Engineer to place additional stop signs. The Traffic Counts from 2017 do not warrant adding Stop Signs, however the safety and security for pedestrians does meet the criteria. (Aprox. Cost \$1,500)
- ➤ Apply for Funding Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency -Transportation Alternatives Program

On behalf of the Village Manager and staff, this agenda item is submitted for your review and consideration. Your approval will authorize the Village Manager to execute any agreements and authorize the purchase of this item.