



PUBLIC WORKS
Administration Division
MEMORANDUM NO. 26-07M

TO: Mayté Santamaria, Deputy County Administrator II

THROUGH: Patrick Dayan, P.E., Public Work Director *PD*

FROM: Christopher Lestrage, P.E., Assistant Public Works Director *CL*

DATE: April 29, 2026

SUBJECT: St. James Drive Interlocal Agreement

St. Lucie County is currently out to bid for construction of a missing link of sidewalk on St. James Drive between Royce Avenue and Lazy River Parkway. The project is funded by a LAP agreement with FDOT. Bid advertisement closes May 13, 2026. The grant's final deadline for completion is December 31, 2027. During the development of the project, the design identified a parcel of land owned by the City of Port St. Lucie that wherein sections of the sidewalk were to be constructed. Staff proposed an ownership transfer of the property from the City to the County along with an easement in favor of the City to continue to convey and maintain drainage on the parcel.

Maintenance of St. James Drive is currently divided between the City of Port St. Lucie and County according to the terms of an existing Interlocal Agreement dated July 1, 1982. The existing agreement includes multiple roadways and does not adequately reflect the growth and expansion that has occurred since 1982. The existing agreement does not accurately describe nor assign maintenance responsibility for all of the infrastructure along the roadway.

Both City and County Public Works Department have agreed to work in good faith to update the agreement to better align with current needs and assign maintenance responsibility where the current agreement is silent. This is intended to occur concurrent with the construction of the St. James Drive sidewalk project.

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