## INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA M E M O R A N D U M

TO:	Jason Brown; County Administrator
THROUGH:	Stan Boling, AICP; Community Development Director
THROUGH:	Phil Matson, AICP; MPO Staff Director Rich Szpyrka, P.E.; Public Works Director
FROM:	Andy Sobczak, Senior Transportation Planner
DATE:	August 28, 2017
SUBJECT:	Resolution of Support for Application to the Florida Highway Beautification Council for a Highway Beautification Grant for South US Highway 1 in Indian River County

It is requested that the information herein presented be given formal consideration by the Board of County Commissioners at its regular meeting of September 19, 2017.

## **DESCRIPTION & CONDITIONS**

On February 7, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved a work order authorizing Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. to design a landscape plan and welcome sign for a section of US Highway 1 in the southern portion of the county. While design on the landscape plan and welcome sign are underway, preparations are being made for submission to the Florida Highway Beautification Council for a Highway Beautification Grant to assist in implementing the landscaping portion of the project.

Each year in October, the Florida Highway Beautification Council accepts grant applications for Highway Beautification projects. The Beautification Grant is a state-wide competitive grant with 10 annual awards of \$82,067.90. As part of the eligibility requirements for the Beautification Grant, a Resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to apply for and accept a Beautification Grant, as well as enter into a Highway Beautification Grant, Landscape Construction, and Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement between Indian River County and the Florida Department of Transportation, must be approved by the BCC. As such, the attached Resolution of Support for the grant must be approved prior to submission of the grant application.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the BCC approve the Resolution of Support for application to the Florida Highway Beautification Council for a Highway Beautification Grant.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution of Support for application to the Florida Highway Beautification Council for a Highway Beautification Grant.