

- Town Manager Koontz said that we will bring this back to the next regular Town Commission meeting with a Resolution or Ordinance and budget amendment to utilize impact fees to pay for it.
- Commissioner Polland said that he really likes the addition of the strobe lights, he feels that they really get your attention. The crosswalk by Montverde which includes strobe lights really seems to work.
- Commissioner Ramos asked if once we install the new features, can we have a police presence there to ensure people are following the rules.
 - Chief Peek said he believes we will be able to do that.
- Town Manager Koontz said that he believes the longer-term improvements planned for Machete should also slow traffic down in that area.
- Commissioner McMullen said that he believes that these changes are inline with making Oakland more walkable and bikeable.
- Town Manager Koontz reiterated that he would bring this back to the February 23rd Town Commission meeting.

Sadler Trail Concept Plan

Town Manager Koontz provided a presentation on the Sadler Trail Concept Plan. Please see attached PowerPoint for additional information.

A summary of the work session discussion was as follows:

- The Town Commission shared consensus to move forward with trail construction in Phase 1. Phase 2 would be accomplished after budget time.

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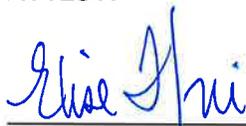
Mayor Stark adjourned the Work Session at 6:59 p.m.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:



 KATHY STARK, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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Town of **OKLAHOMA** **Florida**

Longleaf Pedestrian Safety Enhancements
and Sadler Ave. Park Concept Plan

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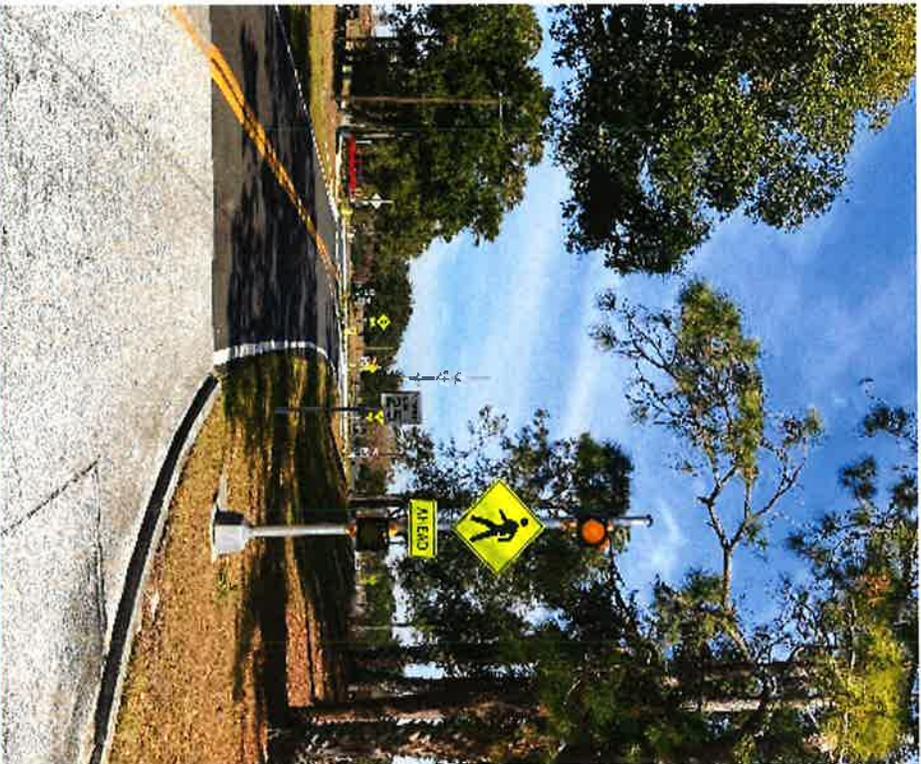


Longleaf Pedestrian Safety

There are several points to consider.

- Pulte Homes was required by Orange County to construct the minimum crossing required by law. This would be considered an enhanced crossing.
- The Town is creating a network of sidewalks and trails that are an offshoot to the West Orange Trail, and the Amon Pavilion/Oakland Avenue crossing is a primary connection point.
- Pedestrian use is expected to increase as the Town continues to grow.
- Traffic on the roads is also expected to increase.
- If approved, the improvements would be constructed concurrently with the Pulte Homes trail crossing.
- At this point, the improvements are planned to be solar operated.
- This has an estimated cost of \$50,000.00, to be funded from Impact Fees.

Valencia Community College – West Campus



Seminole Wekiva Trail



Markham Road – Trailhead crossing



Longwood Markham Road – Trail crossing





Recommendation

Staff is bringing this up to generate discussion and consensus.

Should this be installed?? Will it help protect pedestrians??

Will it have a positive or negative effect on motorists??

What will the HOA's think about it?? Future speed limits??

As we grow, and traffic increases, pedestrian safety will become more of an issue. Crossings such as this will enable a much safer condition wherever they are installed. As an additional benefit, this will also serve as a traffic calming device, when in use.



Sadler Ave. Park Concept Plan

There are several points to consider....

- The property was obtained a few years ago to be used as a corridor for water and sewer improvements. The trail component was an added benefit.
- The construction of the trail component, and some landscaping, is budgeted this fiscal year from Impact Fee Reserves.
- This will soon be the link between the Longleaf neighborhood and Tubb Street.
- In a couple of years, this could, or will, become the Town's newest park serving the southeastern area.
- As the Town's population continues to grow, this will add much needed recreation capacity.
- All improvements beyond the trail and landscape are subject to future budget allocations and citizen input.



Recommendation

Again, this is being brought forward to generate discussion. Staff is looking for consensus from the Oakland Town Commission in moving forward with this, and for direction in taking all the necessary steps, including public sentiment, for creation of the new Sadler Avenue Park.



