



PUBLIC HEARING US BUSINESS 41 DESIGN PROJECT

At 23rd Street West and at 26th Street West



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Financial Project ID: 444440-1

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One invites you to attend a public hearing on **February 11, 2021**, as part of the design process for proposed safety improvements to the intersections at 23rd Street West and at 26th Street West on U.S. Business 41 (Valencia Drive) in Palmetto, Manatee County. A 5:30 p.m. Open House will precede the **6 p.m. Public Hearing presentation**; **public comments will be accepted** immediately following the presentation.

The proposed project design will add temporary medians at the 23rd Street West and the 26th Street West intersections; U.S. Business 41 will also be resurfaced from 17th Street West to approximately 700 feet north of the U.S. Business 41/26th Street West intersection. The temporary medians will remain in place until permanent improvements are installed. Anticipated permanent improvements include a roundabout at the 23rd Street West intersection and a raised median at the 26th Street West intersection.

To allow for maximum participation, the public hearing will be held in-person and simultaneously broadcast on an interactive online platform.



TWO WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

ONLINE

Virtual attendees participate over the Internet using an electronic device such as a computer, tablet, or phone. Advance registration is required to participate in the virtual hearing.

Register at <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5092779942351359244>

Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email with a link to join the hearing. Please note that GoToWebinar does not currently support Internet Explorer.

To participate by phone, call 1-562-247-8422 and enter access code 754-859-863.

IN-PERSON

Palmetto City Hall located at 516 8th Avenue West, Palmetto, Florida 34221

Advance registration is requested to ensure all attendees are accommodated safely and according to social distancing guidelines. Attendees who are not feeling well should not attend the in-person hearing.

Register by contacting:

Miranda Lansdale
Miranda.Lansdale@dot.state.fl.us
or call 941-315-0882.

All participants, both online and in-person, will participate in the same live hearing.



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HEARING INFORMATION

The 5:30 p.m. Open House will present an opportunity for in-person attendees to view project exhibits and speak with FDOT staff. During that time online attendees may view project exhibits on the www.SWFLroads.com website (under Future Projects), and may log in to GoToWebinar. A formal narrated presentation will begin promptly at 6 p.m. for all attendees, followed by a formal public (spoken) comment period. A recording of the presentation and public comment will be made available on the www.SWFLRoads.com project webpage after the public hearing.

Persons wishing to provide written statements in place of or in addition to spoken comments may:

- Complete and submit the comment form (in-person attendees) or type comments into the chat bar (online attendees) during the public hearing.
- Submit by mail to Alex E. Carlson, E.I., Project Manager, 801 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830; by email to Alex.Carlson@dot.state.fl.us, or by phone at 863-519-2572.

All comments received or postmarked by February 21, 2021, will become part of the official record.

PROJECT DOCUMENTS

Draft design plans will be available for review from February 4 to February 11 at the Palmetto Library, 923 6th Street West, Palmetto. Library hours are Tuesday and Thursday from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday and Monday. Project information will also be available under Future Projects on the www.SWFLRoads.com website.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Cynthia Sykes, FDOT District One Title VI Coordinator at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us or 863-519-2287 at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

Comuníquese con nosotros: Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios, o simplemente desea más información, por favor comuníquese con nosotros. Nuestra representante en español es: Yvonne McClellan, 239-285-7552

