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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair, Vice Chair and Members of the Board

FROM: Rachel A. Bach, Executive Director

DATE: May 23, 2006

SUBJECT: Gateways – 6th Avenue South Roadway Improvement Project

RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss utility, signalization and streetscape material work changes and approve required changes to scope of work.

EXPLANATION:

During construction of 6th Avenue South, several issues related to utilities, traffic signalization, and the streetscape elements have arisen which will impact project costs and require Board consideration and approvals. Burkhardt Construction will be at this Board meeting to walk through all of the various options and changes required to move this project forward. Specifically, the CRA Board will be asked to consider and take action on the following issues, some of which will changes to construction and material costs:

1. Sufficient quantities of Gumbo Limbo trees are unavailable. The Board will need to approve a substitution tree.
2. Board to consider including short seat walls in place of mosaic walls and substitute different paver style at neighborhood entry features.
3. Board to consider relocating power pole and lines near H Street electrical substation, south approximately 50 to 60 feet from 6th Avenue South.
4. Additional cost for installation of new manhole covers and valve boxes (labor only, City to provide materials).
5. Additional cost for franchise utility and electrical upgrade to 26kv.
6. Additional cost for street light poles for larger sized banner brackets/arms.
7. Additional cost for upgraded traffic signal mast arms as per Palm Beach County Traffic Engineering.

If all of these items were approved, the total additional cost to the project is \$72,250, which would be covered by the \$565,000 contingency included in the project budget. Individual cost estimates were not available at the time of this writing but will be discussed as part of Burkhardt's presentation.

PROGRAM IMPACT:

Approving additional costs and changes to work program will keep project on schedule.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient funds in the Gateways budget for these improvements.

Recommended by: _____
Rachel A. Bach, Executive Director