



Memorandum

Date: March 12, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers

From: Zeida C. Sardiñas
City Manager

Subject: **Lake Drive Road Improvements**

Introduction

This memorandum presents a Resolution, which seeks to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to conduct due diligence regarding the potential transfer and infrastructure improvements of Lake Drive and Geneva Way, located within Folio Number 35-3022-029-0001 along the west side of NW 79th Avenue, between NW 48th Terrace and NW 53rd Street. The resolution acknowledges the necessity to explore roadway improvements, including drainage, lighting, and sidewalk enhancements, and provides the necessary authority for the City to evaluate the feasibility of assuming ownership of these private roadways.

Background

The road segments located within Folio Number 35-3022-029-0001, along the west side of NW 79th Avenue, between NW 48th Terrace and NW 53rd Street, known as Lake Drive and Geneva Way, are privately owned. These roads provide as the main thoroughfare for a large number of Doral residents, business owners and guests. The private owners have found it difficult to provide these road segments with adequate upkeep, leading to road hazards such as flooding and potholes.

Furthermore, these roads are in need of drainage, lighting and adjoining sidewalk improvements. Local residents have requested that the City explore private ownership of these roads. Florida Statute Chapters 170 provides an avenue by which the City may take ownership of these private roads, make the necessary infrastructure improvements and pass the cost of the same to the adjoining property owners. On February 19, 2025 the City conducted a community workshop that was well attended and obtained positive feedback from its residents. In order to move forward with this project, the City desires to take certain exploratory actions in order to

determine the feasibility of this project. These actions include the hiring of a surveyor, design of road improvements, negotiating road transfer, and geotechnical / environmental testing.

Fiscal Impact:

The Fiscal Impact associated with this request is estimated to be between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

Strategic Plan Alignment

This item is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council approve the attached resolution that will allow the City Attorney and Manager to engage in exploratory due diligence to determine the feasibility of the road transfer and improvement of the Lake Drive and Geneva Way roads and their improvements.