



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 20-00411

Community Redevelopment Agency 8/10/2020

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### **ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Jared Moore, Chairperson

**SUBJECT:**

MLK-ALCANIZ AND DAVIS TWO-WAY CONVERSION

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) recommend to City Council that it request that the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization (FL-AL TPO) and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) move forward with the two-way conversion of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard/Alcaniz Street and Davis Highway.

**SUMMARY:**

The two-way conversion of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard/Alcaniz Street and Davis Highway is a priority project identified in the Eastside and Urban Core Community Redevelopment Plans. In 2019, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) expressed a commitment to initiating a traffic study to determine the feasibility and estimated cost related to the conversion of these corridors from one-way to two-way traffic. HDR Engineering was engaged through the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization (FL-AL TPO) to conduct the study from the I-110 interstate ramp to Wright Street. The study has been completed and contains findings and recommendations related to moving the project forward to implementation. Cory Wilkinson with HDR Engineering will provide an overview presentation.

On July 8, 2020 and July 21, 2020, the study was presented to the Eastside and Urban Core Redevelopment Boards, respectively. Both Boards recommended that the FL-AL TPO and FDOT move forward with the two-way street conversion. Further consideration of the design recommendations contained in the study was requested by the Urban Core Redevelopment Board as the project moves forward to design.

**PRIOR ACTION:**

July 10, 2019 - The ERB authorized a statement of support for the MLK-Alcaniz and Davis Two-Way Conversion project and recommended inclusion of the project in the FY2020 CRA Work Plan.

August 5, 2019 - The CRA approved the FY2020 CRA Work Plan which included the MLK-Alcaniz and Davis Two-Way Conversion project.

July 8, 2020 - The ERB recommended that the two-conversion of MLK-Alcaniz and Davis Highway move forward and recommended the project as a project within its recommended project list and 5-year implementation plan for Fiscal Years 2021 to 2025.

July 21, 2020 - The UCRB recommended that the two-conversion of MLK-Alcaniz and Davis Highway move forward and recommended the project as a priority within its recommended project list and 5-year implementation plan for Fiscal Years 2021 to 2025.

**FUNDING:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None.

**CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:** Yes

7/23/2020

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Kerrith Fiddler, Deputy City Administrator - Community Development  
M. Helen Gibson, AICP, CRA Administrator  
Victoria D'Angelo, Asst. CRA Administrator

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Traffic Feasibility Study - MLK/Alcaniz/Davis Two-Way Project

**PRESENTATION:** Yes