

*University Drive
Sidewalks
Public Meeting*

MARCH 21, 2018

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- Project Overview
- Preliminary Concept
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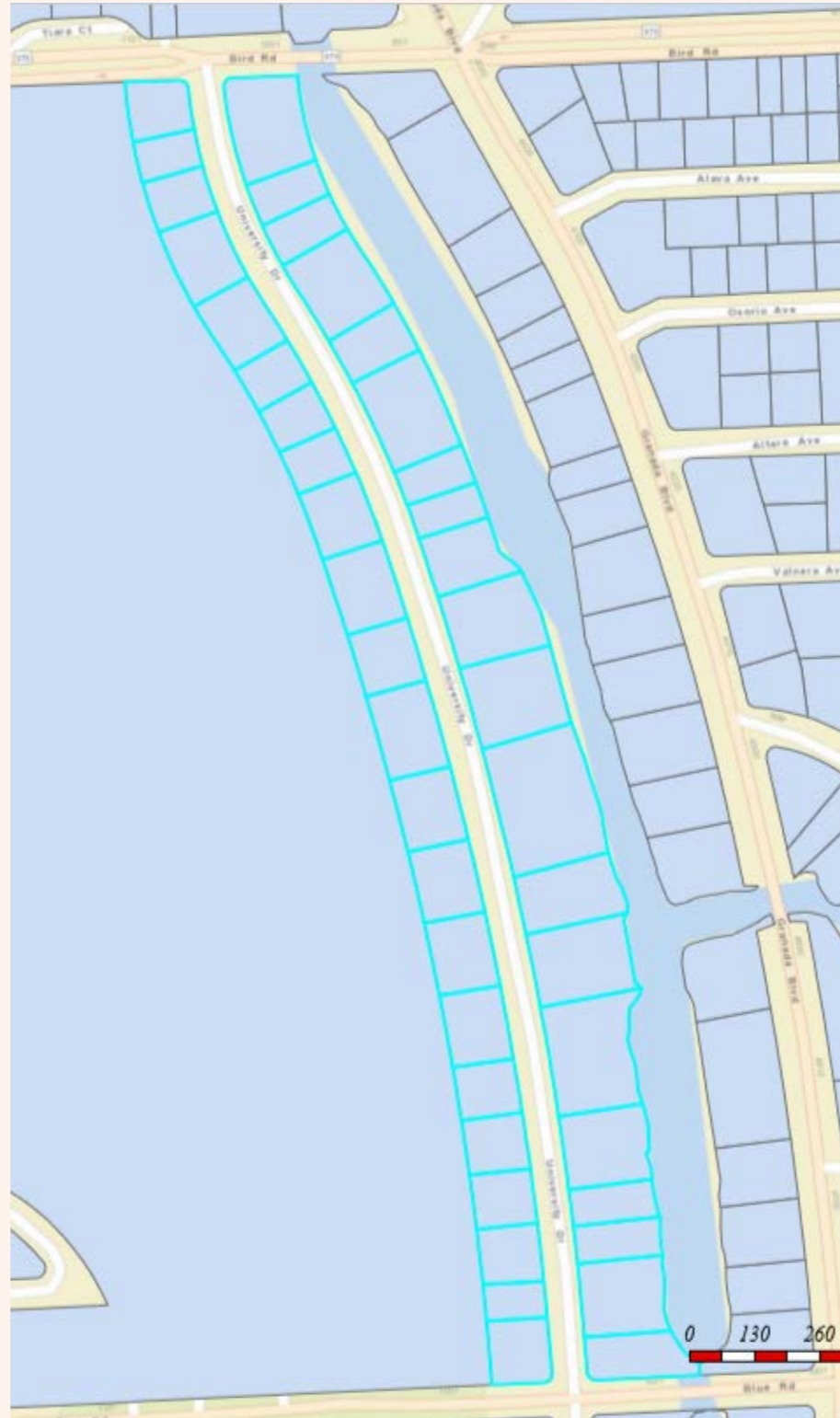
Project Overview

- **Project Limits:** Bird Road to Blue Road. About 2600’.
- **Scope:** 5’ sidewalks on both sides of street within public right of way (ROW)
- **Project Timeline**
 - Design: Mid-2018 through early 2019
 - Construction Start: Mid-2019
- **Project Cost:** About \$180,000
- **Alignment:** Will be at the ROW line and in case of mature/specimen trees, may be meandered.

PROJECT AREA

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- Mailing notice sent out to highlighted properties

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Project History

- Last Public Meeting: March 16th, 2017
 - Community decided to vote on sidewalk installation
- Sidewalks approved by resident ballot in 2017.
 - “Yes” received 83% of the vote, based on city balloting process.

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Project Benefits

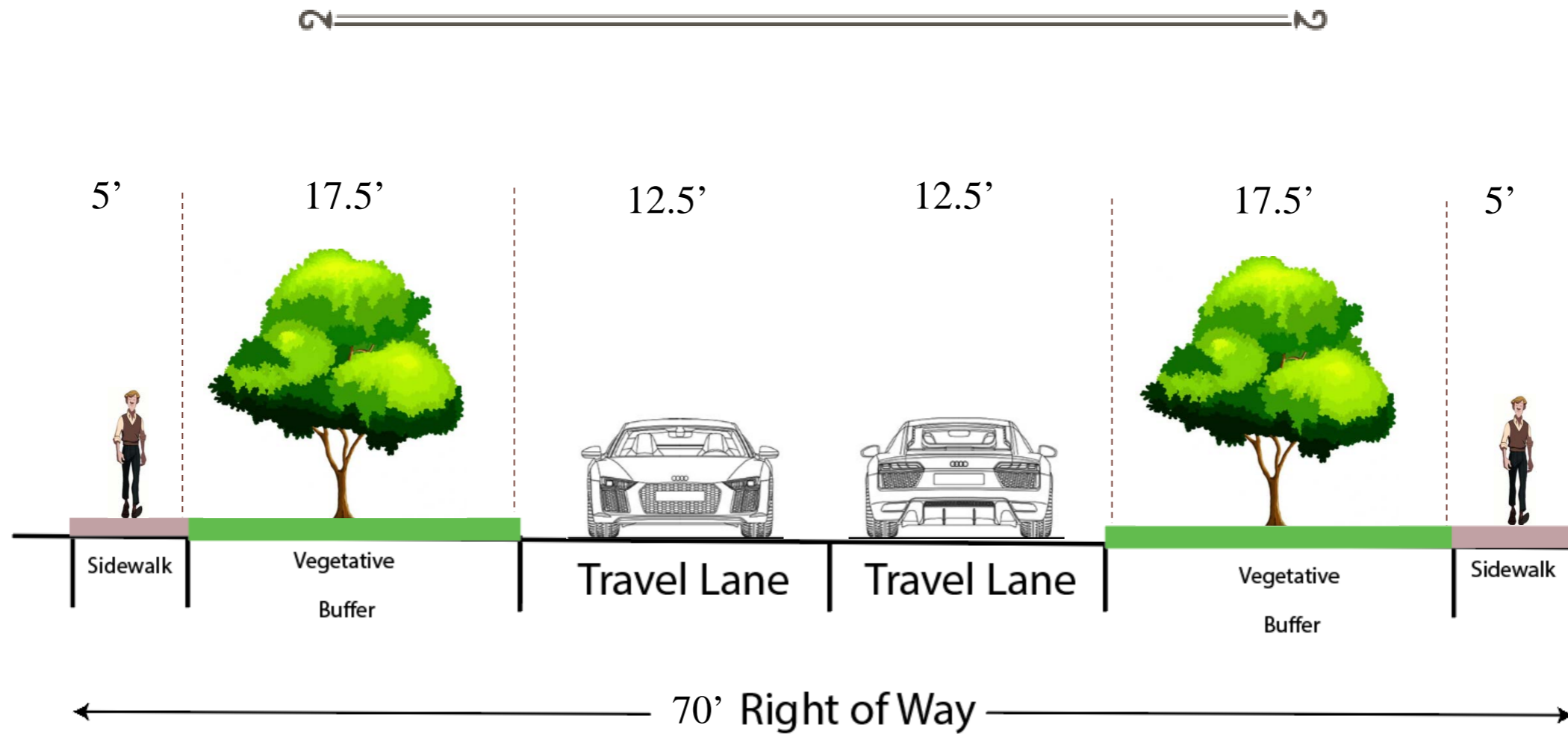
- Will provide a safe walking path for pedestrians, runners, dog walkers and all segments of the public, from the elderly to young children
- Will reduce automobile/pedestrian conflicts along the project corridor

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Project Benefits

- “In a scenario where two houses are nearly identical, the one with a five-foot-wide sidewalk and two street trees not only sells for \$4,000 to \$34,000 more but it also sells in less time.”
(AARP)
- “People who live in neighborhoods with sidewalks are 47 percent more likely to be active at least 39 minutes a day” (Source: AARP)

PROPOSED CROSS SECTION



* Alignment of sidewalk may vary depending on conflict with trees and other fixed objects in public ROW.

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Project Concept

- Where sidewalk crosses existing driveways, a portion of driveway aprons will be replaced to provide consistent path
- Sidewalks will be “Coral Gables Beige”
- Existing sidewalks will remain untouched

EXISTING SIDEWALKS
4000 BLOCK
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EXAMPLE OF CONTINUOUS SIDEWALK THROUGH DRIVEWAY



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Next Steps

- Commence design in mid-2018
- Construction in 2019
- Construction length: Approximately 3 months
- The city will be in contact with property owners before and during construction regarding impacts in front of their property

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Thank you!

Questions?

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