



International Drive Resort Area Chamber of Commerce

I-4 / Sand Lake Road Interchange Oversight Committee

December 6, 2023

Meeting Purpose:	Weekly International Drive Resort Area Chamber of Commerce – I-4 and Sand Lake Road Interchange Oversight Committee Meeting #23
Meeting Date/Time:	Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location:	Zoom Meeting
Attendees:	I-Drive: David Vallillo (Host), Brian Small, James Robinson (Duke Energy), Maria Triscari, Brian Sanders, Fernando Ching FDOT: Ryan Flipse, John Hatfield, Esther Montoya Orange County: Krista Taraszewski (OCTP), Renzo Nastasi HNTB: James Moulton, Leeland Shelton Global-5: Katie Wigle, Mike Wacht

Agenda

1. Past Project Status:
 - a. FDOT to Review past 7-Days
 - i. Continue traffic pattern on westbound I-4
 - ii. Bridge and roadway work on outside of westbound I-4
 - iii. Opened eastbound Sand Lake Road sidewalk, detour westbound sidewalk
 - iv. Median work on Sand Lake Road
 - v. Eastbound Sand Lake Road to westbound I-4 on ramp work
 - vi. Ongoing mowing
 - b. Committees Comments & Suggestions

Ryan Flipse: Remaining work in 2023 will be near Area 3 and Area 5. The sidewalk detour has switched sides. We have talked with the contractor to make sure that the site is left in an acceptable condition for the holidays.

John Hatfield: I want to point out that on this map of the construction areas it shows labels for eastbound and westbound I-4 but then just a note that the map is oriented with north facing up. I know that can sometimes be confusing.



Ryan: We do not have pile driving until after the holidays in early 2024. We will have crews on site, but no significant work will be done. We will still take care of any litter or mowing needs.

David Vallillo: The placement of embankments on the westbound side, is that anything to be concerned about or is that just construction as usual?

Ryan: Construction as usual. Some drainage and some widening needs to be done to prepare for the diverging diamond interchange (DDI) configuration.

David: Are there requirements that there needs to always be pedestrian access?

Ryan: We do require that pedestrian access is to be maintained at all times on this project. A detour is an accepted means of maintaining pedestrian access. We make sure the detour is as least impactful as possible.

2. Future Project Status

a. FDOT to Review next 7-Days

- i. Continue traffic pattern on westbound I-4
- ii. Bridge and roadway work on outside of westbound I-4
- iii. Westbound Sand Lake Road sidewalk detour
- iv. Eastbound Sand Lake Road to westbound I-4 on ramp work
- v. Ongoing mowing

b. Committees Comments & Suggestions

3. Future Major Milestones

a. FDOT to Review next 14-21 Days

- i. Westbound Sand Lake Road sidewalk detour into January
- ii. Pile driving to resume after the holidays

b. Committees Comments & Suggestions

4. Cleanliness Review

a. Committees Observations over past 7-Days

5. Condition Review

a. Committees Observations over past 7-Days

b. (Fencing, Wraps, Barricades, Temp. Signage)

6. Old Business

a. Public Input or Comments

- i. None

b. Commitments Update

- i. Fencing and screening
- ii. Banners
- iii. Mowing and cleaning
- iv. Clean Team
- v. Vacuum sweeper truck
- vi. Ponds



vii. 90% Plans

Ryan: We may not receive all 90% plans right away, but if we see anything that would be of your interest, we will pass it along your way.

David: Will waiting on getting these plans slow down the project? How long will it take to fully complete the diverging diamond interchange?

Jim Moulton: The initial DDI configuration phase will go into effect first and then it will become the final phase DDI later on. To the public, there may not be very much different between the phases.

Ryan: We are somewhere between 50 and 70 days away from the contractor giving us another update on their schedule. We are going to have a DDI implemented and in place in the initial configuration, but there will still be barrels, and it will still be an active construction site.

David: The current completion date is 2027. In 2025, Universal's Epic Universe will be opening. So, a tremendous amount of traffic will be put on the roadways. Will that DDI work be completed by then? Are we trying to target that? This will be one of the largest drivers in this market in 20 years and it's going to be daily traffic. Once we get target dates from Universal, we will need to discuss this further.

Jim: Once we can open Ramp J and eliminate the dual left turn lanes from Sand Lake Road to Turkey Lake Road, that will alleviate a lot of delays. Once we get the full schedule, we will know the timeline. We will share the schedule as soon as we get it.

Ryan: We are already working with Universal and their team to communicate and have direct lines with them. So, when that day does occur, we will be able to be on top of our signage and plan.

James Robinson: The work we talked about last week has been pushed back. Our portion of the transfer is complete. In January I should have a date to remove or relocate some polls in the construction area.

7. New Business

- a. Next meeting 12/13/23.

8. Meeting Adjourned.