Baymeadows Community Council
Recommendation on Street and Intersection Improvements

Given that the City of Jacksonville's Planning & Development's staff report states that the traffic generated by the development of only a portion of the total project *"exceeds the amount of allowable trip generation for this property"*, we propose the following list of necessary improvements:

- Golfside Drive should be upgraded to city standards with curbs, sidewalks, lighting and traffic calming measures such as speed humps/tables from its western terminus to a new one-lane roundabout at Baymeadows Circle West/Western Way North.
- Golfside Drive should be extended from the new roundabout easterly across the rear (northern boundary) of the commercial parcel fronting on Baymeadows Road a new one-lane roundabout at Baymeadows Circle East.
- Paseo Drive South should be straightened to intersect Baymeadows Circle East at the new roundabout on Baymeadows Circle East.
- The median on Baymeadows Circle East should be terminated at the new roundabout.
- The driveway on the east side of Baymeadows Circle East between Baymeadows Road and Paseo Drive South should be closed and a new driveway opened onto Paseo Drive South. No driveway to the commercial parcel fronting on Baymeadows Road should be allowed at Baymeadows Circle East other than at the new roundabout.
- Baymeadows Circle East should remain a divided (uninterrupted median) road between Baymeadows Road and the new roundabout with one ingress lane northbound and two egress lanes southbound.
- Baymeadows Circle East from Baymeadows Road to Baymeadows Circle West should be upgraded to city standards with curbs, sidewalks, lighting and traffic calming measures such as speed humps/tables.
- Baymeadows Circle West between Baymeadows Road and the new roundabout at Golfside Drive should be rerouted to align with the signalized intersection at Baymeadows Road/Western Way North. The intersection of Baymeadows Road/Baymeadows Circle West and the median cut should be closed.

- The bridge on Baymeadows Circle West should be closed to all but emergency vehicles once streets are built on Parcels #5 or #6, which would allow for alternate routing of bridge traffic.
- Baymeadows Circle West between the new roundabout and the south entrance to the Linkside community and from Baymeadows Circle West/Baymeadows Circle East to Southbrook Drive should be upgraded to an acceptable standard with curbs, sidewalks, lighting and traffic calming measures such as speed humps/tables.
- The newly rerouted Baymeadows Circle West/Western Way North from Baymeadows Road to the roundabout should be a divided (uninterrupted median) with two ingress lanes northbound and three egress lanes southbound.
- A new westbound turn lane should be added to Baymeadows Road between Baymeadows Circle East and the northbound on-ramp to I-95.
- The median on Baymeadows Road across from Embassy Suites should be closed an eastbound turn lane should be added to Baymeadows Road between Baymeadows Circles East and West.

1. Most of these improvements are described in the Baymeadows Community Plan that the City Council approved in 2011. Portions, including the roundabout, were originally recommended in the Baymeadows Area Transportation Study, an official document of the Planning & Development Department. The remainders of these improvements are a result of the Peters and Yaffee traffic study. There is only one opportunity to accomplish all of these improvements and they should be made elements of a Development Agreement between D.R. Horton and the City.

We understand that the realigning of Baymeadows Circle west with Western Way at its intersection with Baymeadows Road will require the removal of the existing bank building. BCC and the applicant have already made contact with the bank to determine the cost of relocating bank building to the right-of-way of Baymeadows Circle West. We further understand that the FDOT will be involved with permitting the improvements at Baymeadows Road and discussions have already begun for that purpose.