

PETITION BY PROPERTY OWNERS

This petition is a request to the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") by the owners of property located in **ROLLING HILLS UNIT 5 - SW 126TH TERRACE AND SW 45TH STREET**, recorded in Plat Book L, at Page 077 of the Public Records of Marion County, Florida, including any abutting parcels of property along the roadways, to make road and drainage improvements, using the Assessment Program process and procedures.

SCOPE: The proposed road and drainage improvements may include but not be limited to the following scope of work:

- Surveying
- Geotechnical Testing
- Engineering Design
- Assessment map noting all affected property owners
- Construction Layout Surveying
- Mobilization
- Maintenance of Traffic
- Silt Fencing
- Temporary Straw Silt Barrier
- Clearing & Grubbing as needed
- Excavation (Earthwork)
- Stabilization
- Limerock Base Course
- Limerock Base Course (Driveways)
- Swales for Drainage/Water Runoff
- Ditch Blocks
- Finish Grading
- Tack or Prime Coat
- 1-1/4" Type SP 9.5 Asphaltic Concrete Wearing Surface
- Sodding as needed
- 24" Wide Stop Bars
- 6" Double Yellow Thermoplastic Striping as needed
- Traffic Control and Quadrant Signs as needed (Existing signs will be used where possible)
- As-Built Plans

The Board considers the petition responses as a measure of the initial level of support for the project and reserves the right to determine the final project area and method of cost allocation. The Board may enact an assessment to include the entire subdivision or any unit, phase, portion or street of a subdivision if deemed feasible and in the best interest of the public after reviewing the results of the petition. The property owners will be responsible to pay all costs associated with the estimated per parcel unit if the petitions are accepted and the proposed project receives approval at the final public hearing.

ESTIMATED PER PARCEL COST: The cost of the project will be allocated to each property owner on a per parcel unit as determined by the MSTU Department's preliminary review. The **estimated** cost per parcel unit will be approximately \$32,000 to \$34,000. This estimated cost comes from similar projects recently bid or are currently under construction.

A parcel unit is a buildable platted lot or a portion of a lot that abuts the road in the assessment area including a parcel that abuts a side road or parcels whose primary means of access is the road to be improved. The assessment will be for the total number of lots that you own. Please contact the MSTU Department to provide more accurate information should you believe that the number of parcel units indicated on the next page is inaccurate. This is important since the final cost per parcel unit is determined by dividing the final total project cost by the total number of parcel units in the assessment area.

The estimated cost is “subject to change” should the project design engineer recommend additional design or if the actual construction bid is higher or lower than originally estimated by the engineer. There may be adjustments made in the methodology to apportion the costs among the property owners during the design phase of the project should it be found to be more equitable and fair.

NOTE: Road improvements within any subdivision located in Marion County do not receive funds from property taxes and the gas tax revenues fund maintenance performed by Marion County. Additionally, impact-fees revenue are unable to fund construction or resurfacing of local subdivision roads in developed areas. This road assessment process is currently the only method available to provide improvements within your project area.

PUBLIC HEARING: The design and construction bid phases will commence upon the Board accepting the petitions. A final public hearing typically occur in approximately 90-120 days after receipt of the bids. The actual maximum cost per parcel unit will be determined prior to the public hearing and each affected property owner will receive a notice with the date and time of the public hearing. The notice will provide you specific information as to the number of parcel units, the maximum amount to be pre-paid (before incurring financing costs) and the maximum annual amount if you do not prepay the assessment.

BOARD APPROVAL: Each property owner will receive a “Notice of Special Assessment” indicating the period during which the full assessment amount may be prepaid in order to take advantage of the prepayment period. The default method of payment will be by annual installments if a property owner does not wish to prepay the assessment.

PREPAYMENT PERIOD: The prepayment period commences after the final public hearing is held and upon your receipt of the “Notice of Special Assessment” from the MSTU/Assessment Department. The typical prepayment period allows the assessment be paid in full within 60 days without additional costs for financing fees, interest, collection costs, or a portion of borrowing costs being added to the base assessment cost. The prepayment period may occur prior to construction of the road improvements.

ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS (DEFAULT METHOD OF COLLECTION): This assessment will be a ten (10) year program unless otherwise determined by the Board. This is the default method of collection unless the property owner chooses to prepay the assessment. The annual installments will reflect the assessment payment including financing fees, interest, collection costs and a portion of borrowing costs. The installments will remain the same throughout the term of the repayment period; however, assessments are subject to discounts if paid early and penalties if the payments are delinquent. The annual assessment will appear on the property tax bill of each year until paid in full. This particular assessment, if approved, will not appear on the tax bill until November 2021. Construction of the road improvements may be complete prior to the first installment.

PETITION RESULTS: The results of this petition will be available within 30 days of the petition opening on our website www.marionfl.org. Click Departments/Agencies, click Departments A-N, click MSTU/Assessments, click Road Improvements then click Rolling Hills Unit 5 - SW 126th Terrace and SW 45th Street.

PLEASE RETURN THIS DOCUMENT

PETITION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JULY 19, 2021

The Clerk's office must receive this petition within 60 days from the postmarked date of this petition in order to be included in the tabulation of the responses "Yes"(for) or "No" (against) the proposed road assessment.

Please use the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided herewith to mail your petition to the address below as hand delivered petitions are invalid:

MARION COUNTY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
INTERNAL AUDIT DIVISION
POST OFFICE BOX 936
OCALA, FLORIDA 34478-0936

BY SIGNING THIS PETITION, THE PROPERTY OWNER AGREES THAT HE OR SHE HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS PETITION ALONG WITH ANY OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED IN ADDITION TO THIS PETITION.

Property Owner:

Parcel ID:

Legal Description:

Number of Parcel Units being assessed: *For the limited purpose of this petition, you are assumed to have the number of Parcel Unit(s) listed. However, this assumption may be subject to change upon actual legal review if the proposed improvement moves forward.*

____ YES, I approve of the proposed Road Improvement Assessment.

____ NO, I do NOT approve of the proposed Road Improvement Assessment.

Property Owner Signature

Date Signed

Property Owner Printed Name