

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**  
**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**May 6, 2026**

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**Agenda Item:**

River Ranch Road Traffic Calming & Safety Improvements

Motion to approve award of Contract EC2022-31 TA 06 Change Order 01 to Trebilcock Consulting Services to provide professional service to the River Ranch Road traffic calming and safety improvements for a not to exceed amount of \$34,600.

Approve a \$3,400 contingency for additional services that may be required to complete the project.

Authorize the Village Manager to sign the Change Order and other additional implementing documents within the scope of the Change Order on behalf of the Village of Estero Council.

**Background:**

River Ranch Road is an approximately 0.75 mile long collector roadway that connects Corkscrew Road and Williams Road. River Ranch Road is the main access for Estero High School student pick up and drop off. River Ranch Road often used as a cut through for vehicles driving to and from US 41/ Via Coconut Point and Corkscrew Road. This results in River Ranch Road seeing significantly more traffic than other similar roadways.

The Village's consultant Trebilcock Engineering recently completed a Traffic Evaluation Report and Turn Lane Analysis, copies of both are attached.

During students pick up and drop off, River Ranch Road sees significant roadway congestion and a high volume of pedestrian traffic. There is only a sidewalk on one side of River Ranch Road, resulting in some pedestrians having to cross River Ranch Road to access the sidewalk. Most pedestrians cross at one of two locations, the mid-block crossing north of Spring Ridge Circle and at the Lakes of Estero entrance. The report recommends changing both of these crossings to raise mid-block crosswalks. This will improve pedestrian safety and potentially reduce speeding along River Ranch Road.

The traffic evaluation report indicates a significant number of vehicles driving on River Ranch Road exceed the posted 30 MPH speed limit.

The turn lane analysis indicates the addition of a turn lane (creating separate right and left turn lanes) at River Road and Williams Road would improve traffic flow, especially during student pick up and drop off.

**Description:**

The original contract (EC 2022-31 TA06) included the roadway studies that have been completed and the design/permitting of the mid-block crosswalks. The cost for this initial contract was below the Village Manager signatory authority. The contract did not include the design or permitting of an additional turn lane at Williams Road. The additional work required to design and permit the additional turn lane increases the contract value above the Village Manager's signatory authority. As a result, Village Staff is requesting Village Council approval for the original contract and the proposed change order.

Following is a summary of the services that will be provided via both the original contract and change order.

- Public meetings
- Traffic Counts
- Traffic Calming and Safety Improvements Report
- Land Survey
- Construction Plans
- Permitting
- Bidding Support

**Action Requested:**

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**Process and Timeline:**

The Traffic Evaluation Report and Turn Lane Analysis have been completed. Following is a summary of the proposed schedule for the remaining services.

Design:	60 Days
Permitting:	90 Days
Bidding:	90 Days
Construction:	150 Days

**Financial Impact:**

The project's financial impact is \$38,000 (\$34,600 plus \$3,400 contingency).

Funding will be provided via unallocated general funds.

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**Attachments:**

1. Contract 2022-31 STA 06
2. Contract 2020-31 STA 06 Change Order 01
3. Project Location Map
4. Proposed Improvements Maps
5. River Ranch Traffic Evaluation Reports
6. River Ranch Lane Analysis