

Coastal City Street Beautification

Beautifying Hillsboro Boulevard from Dixie Highway to Federal Highway



Existing suicide lane on SR 810 (W. Hillsboro Blvd.) between SR 811 (Dixie Hwy) and SR 5/ US 1 (Federal Hwy).

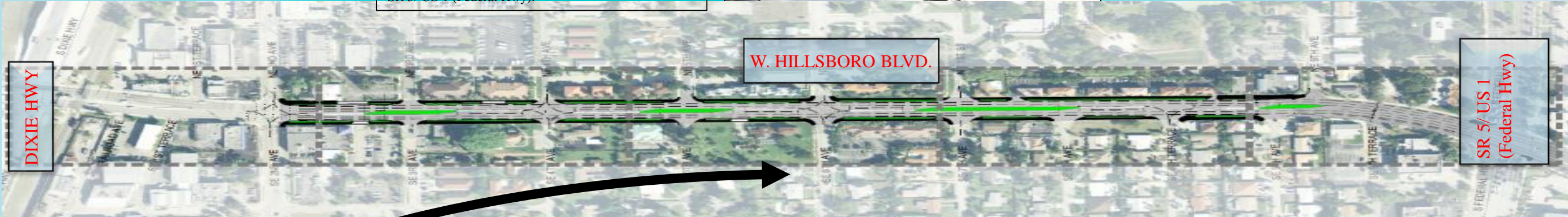


Existing median east of SR 5/ US 1 (Federal Hwy) showing landscape plantings. This is the design intent for the proposed areas between SR 811 (Dixie Hwy) and SR 5/ US 1 (Federal Hwy).



The City of Deerfield Beach is the northernmost coastal community in Broward County, Florida, just south of Palm Beach County and north of Fort Lauderdale. With access to the Atlantic Ocean, numerous parks, nature preserves, and a large business community, the City of Deerfield Beach is an attractive destination for both locals and tourists.

April of 2015, the City approved a Complete Streets Implementation Plan and continues to see an enormous amount of local support, and is proud to be an exemplar example as one of the first cities to implement the Complete Streets Project. The Complete Streets Project first phase improved the eastern portion of SR 810 Corridor. In response to the huge success that took place along SR 810 east of SR 5/ US 1, the City plans to continue the Complete Streets program westward to bring continuity and extend a sense of place as you enter the City of Deerfield Beach along the thoroughfare from I-95 to A1A (see concept plan).



Pioneer Grove Boundaries shown in red. Circled area is SR 810 (Hillsboro Blvd.) from SR 811 (Dixie Hwy) to SR 5/US 1 (Federal Hwy).



Existing sidewalk on SR 810 (Hillsboro Blvd.) between SR 811 (Dixie Hwy) and SR 5/US 1 (Federal Hwy).



Existing sidewalk east of SR 5/US 1 (Federal Hwy) showing paver sidewalk and landscape plantings. This is the design intent for the proposed areas between SR 811 (Dixie Hwy) and SR 5/US 1 (Federal Hwy).

The current FDOT phase from SR 811 (Dixie Highway), east to SR 5/ US 1 (Federal Highway) will remove suicide lanes, install medians, expand sidewalks, create bike lanes and bus bays. This is the area for the proposed Beautification grant.

The FDOT Beautification Grant would not only extend the iconic streetscape concept to the West Hillsboro Boulevard Corridor, but benefit the city's initiatives for the development of the Pioneer Grove mixed-use downtown area (see Pioneer Grove Boundaries map). This portion of Hillsboro Boulevard is located within the Pioneer Grove Local Activity Center. The City of Deerfield Beach has shown an excellent track record for low maintenance and high impact, as all development standards are based on a walkable downtown environment, utilizing multi-modal transportation, high residential density and a distinctive landscape palette. The palette will consist mostly of Florida friendly plants that are native, feasible installation, low maintenance, wind resistant, and requires little water. The landscaping will provide comfort and shade for pedestrians. In addition, the plan ensures state and federal compliance and initiatives for litter prevention and cleaner streets.

This sustainable design will incorporate beautiful landscapes, support the green infrastructure plan, and subsequently minimize long-term costs. Hillsboro Boulevard beautification stands to provide an aesthetic and cultural conduit, a connection to Pioneer Grove, and minimize the long-term costs of maintaining high-quality landscapes.

