

NORTHEAST PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Just the Facts About the Traffic Circulation Plan

After a two year Traffic Circulation Plan development process, ballots have been sent out - and we are looking forward to the **July 12th** ballot submission deadline. Here's a summary primer on the Plan for those new to the process:

- The ballot that was sent out is to approve the concept of the Plan only. **We need a plan in place before grant and city funding can be pursued.**
- Every possible effort will be made to pay for the implementation of the Plan by grants, existing revenue sources, or in-kind services **with the goal of no costs to our neighbors.**
- If our efforts to secure funding does not cover all costs of implementing the Plan, then all NEPNA Neighbors will be asked to chip in for the remainder of the costs. To do this, **a second ballot will be sent out to approve or reject any funding whatsoever that would come from our neighbors.**
- Sidewalks are not planned for every street because we wanted to keep costs as low as possible while still providing the furthest reaching pedestrian safety possible. **Forming a grid of sidewalks rather than a sidewalk on every street reduced estimated costs by over 75%!** As designed, no one is more than a couple blocks away from a sidewalk / crosswalk that will provide safe pedestrian travel to the destinations in Northeast Park.
- The sidewalks will be no more than four feet wide within the city-owned easement in front of the homes where sidewalks are planned. **In citing the actual route of the sidewalks, every possible attempt will be made to avoid all existing trees and landscaping.** One way to ensure that the sidewalks are utilized (especially when it's hot!) is to have shade-providing trees along the route. It just would not make sense to remove trees unless it was absolutely necessary - but if trees had to be removed, they would be replaced on a proposed 2:1 ratio. In addition, landscaping opportunities along the routes would be proposed to provide shade where none currently exists.
- A full color version of the Plan can be viewed by clicking [HERE](#).

This has been a two year process during which we have solicited comments from all of our neighbors. But as always, we welcome any and all comments to this dynamic plan. Feel free to send an email to dbishop@northeastparkfla.com or call 727.895.5343. And mark your calendars for July 12th - the results of the vote will be presented during our NEPNA Monthly Meeting (Masonic Home - 7:00p.m.).

Thanks,



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