

Staff Report
South Pinetree Boulevard
Listening Sessions Held August 6-7, 2018

- Marketing Initiatives:
 - Press release distributed to all media partners.
 - Information was included in *Plugged In*, our customer and community e-newsletter, which is distributed to more than 1,000 citizens.
 - Posts and boosted advertisements on Facebook, which reached more than 3,500 users.
 - NextDoor app, which includes more than 1,100 households.
 - CNS scroll
 - Advertisements on CNS local channel 6, WPAX, WHGH and the Times-Enterprise.

Session Details

Information for August Sessions Only

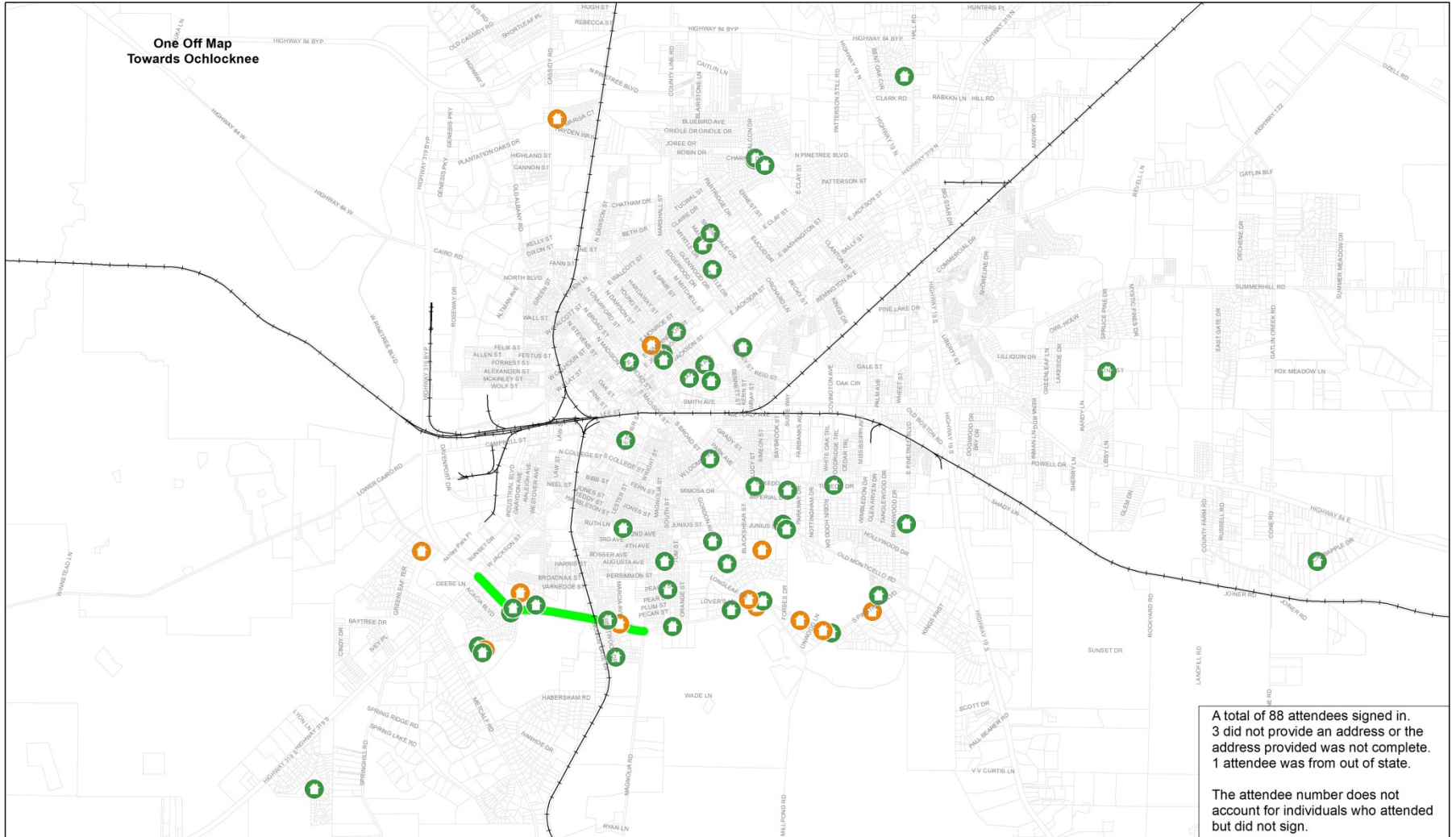


- Sessions were facilitated by Sheryl Sealy, Director of Marketing, Communications & Events, and Chris White, Assistant Utilities Superintendent.
- Attended by 88 citizens (based on sign-in registration).
- Overview of project timeline was provided:
 - Language from 2012 SPLOST
 - Thomas County's first steps in the initiative.
 - Right of way intergovernmental agreements.
 - Georgia Department of Transportation grant funding for project.
 - Assumption of project by City of Thomasville.
- Presentation of roadway concepts:
 - Current configuration
 - Continuous center-turn lane configuration
 - Two-lane configuration with widened shoulders
 - Resurfacing only, no improvements
- Questions to collect data.
- Public comments from citizens.

Attendee Details



One Off Map
Towards Ochlocknee



A total of 88 attendees signed in.
3 did not provide an address or the address provided was not complete.
1 attendee was from out of state.

The attendee number does not account for individuals who attended but did not sign.

- Attendee
- Multiple From Same Address

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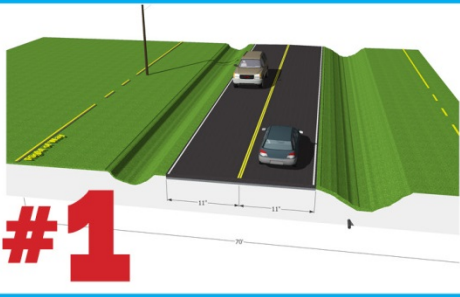


Identified Concerns



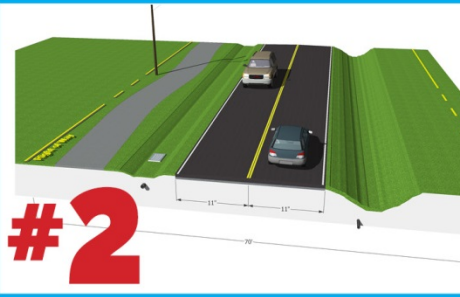
The top concerns identified in both sessions held this week were....

- Look and character
- Safety



1 - Existing Roadway Resurface Only

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2-Existing Roadway Resurface Only 10 Foot Trail

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3 - Proposed Continuous Center Lane 10 Foot Trail

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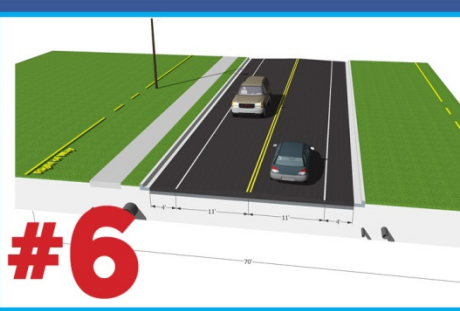
4 - Proposed Continuous Center Lane 5 Foot Sidewalk

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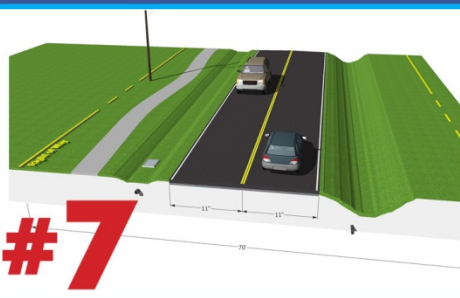
5 - Proposed Two Lane Widened Shoulder 10 Foot Trail

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6 - Proposed Two Lane Widened Shoulder 5 Foot Sidewalk

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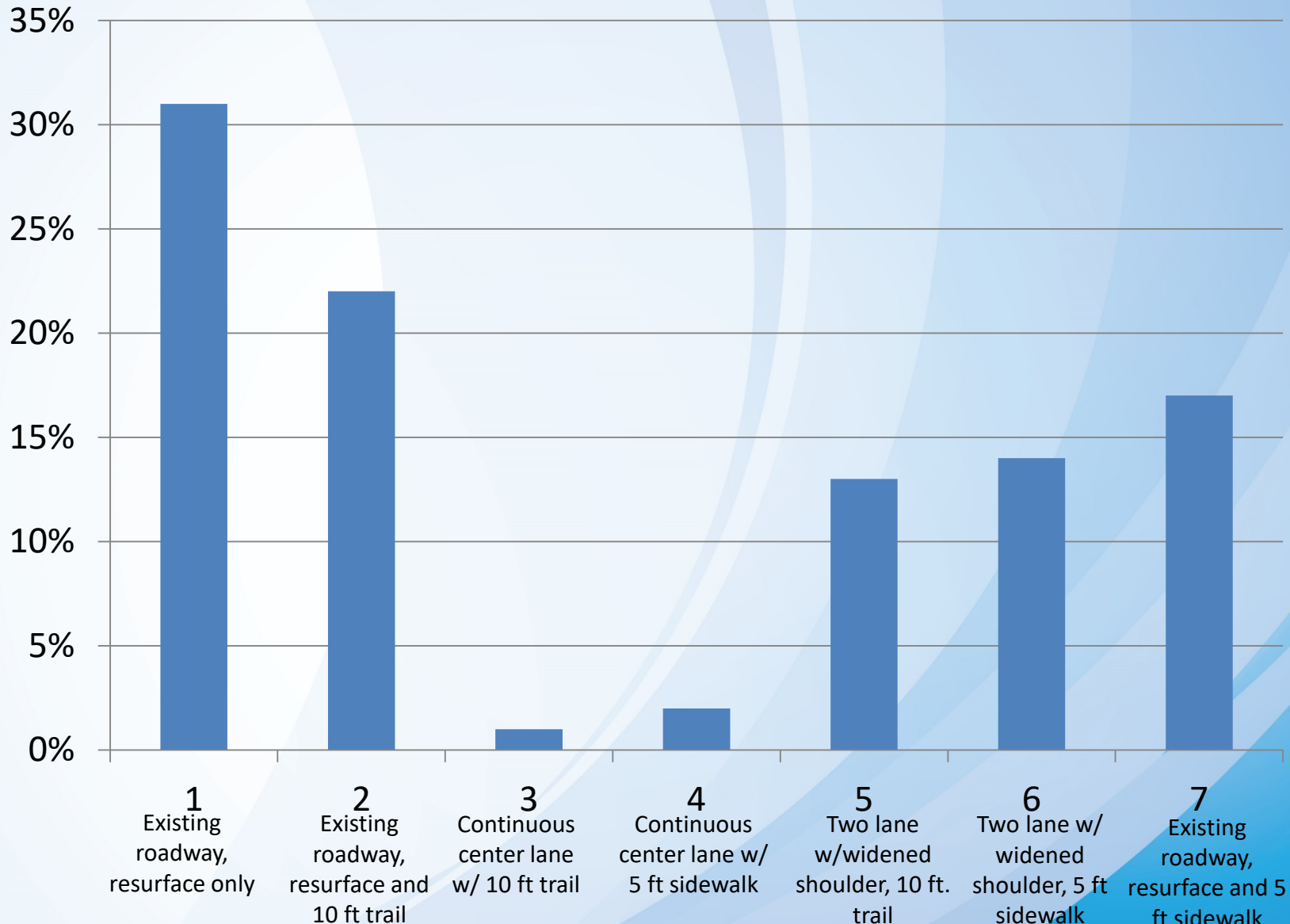


7 - Existing Roadway Resurface Only 5 Foot Sidewalk

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Which concept do you think is the best fit for this area?

Concept Preference



Public Comment

Recurring Themes




- Concerns about how Pinetree Blvd. beyond project area might be affected long term
- Lack of understanding regarding origination of project and why the change is proposed
- Roundabout is not wanted and/or needed at Magnolia intersection
- Concerns about placement of turn lanes and their affect on side road traffic in a two-lane/widened shoulder concept
- Safety concerns due to traffic and speed as well as safety at the curve

Public Comment

Recurring Themes



- Questions about sidewalks on other portions of South Pinetree Blvd
- Questions related to the GDOT grant, stipulations and acceptable uses of the funding as well as funding overall
- Desire to preserve character and history of South Pinetree Blvd
- Need for accommodations for cyclists
- Need for a turn lane at West Jackson Street
- Impact to land owners along target area



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