Alternatives Update Public Meeting Questions and Answers

The following lists the questions received and answers given during the Whiting Street Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Alternatives Update Public Meeting. The meeting was held Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

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Start Time: 5/20/2021 6:08 PM  
Duration: 64 minutes

Question 1:  
**Does alternative 2 remove the bicycle lane?**

Response:  
Alternative 2 does not provide a bicycle lane. Rather, it encourages bicycle travel on Cumberland, which is the planned City cycle track. Cumberland also ties into the Selmon Greenway. In exchange for the bike lane, 10 ft. sidewalks are provided in Alternative 2.

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Question 2:  
**Can you attempt to keep the trail (and width) flowing through the new crosswalks so it doesn’t lose the feel of an actual trail?**

Response:  
We will evaluate providing a crosswalk width that is compatible with the width of the trail.

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Question 3:  
**Why is an exit ramp from the Selmon Expressway onto Florida Ave. necessary?**

Response:  
To provide safe and efficient access into downtown Tampa and the northbound Florida Avenue major artery.

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Question 4:  
**What 4 properties are targeted for acquisition?**

Response:  
The four parcels are owned by two property owners, and THEA has been in communication with both owners.

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Question 5:
Will THEA be responsible for street trees along new sidewalks? If so, will THEA plant shade trees to provide pedestrians with a comfortable walking condition?

Response:
Yes, THEA will be responsible for meeting the City of Tampa’s landscaping and tree ordinances.

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Question 5:
Will new bike lanes be protected?

Response:
While they will not be buffered they will be similar to the Platt Street bike lanes.

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