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Attention: Alyssa McManus, Transportation Compliance Review Program

Re: Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) Whiting Street Project
Development & Environment Study (PD&E) Study, Cultural Resource
Assessment Survey Pond Addendum, Hillsborough County, Florida

Dear Dr. Parsons,

In August of 2021, as part of the THEA Whiting Street PD&E Study, the *CRAS for the Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) Whiting Street Project Development & Environment Study (PD&E) Study, Hillsborough County, Florida* was prepared by Janus Research in association with H.W. Lochner, Inc. (LOCHNER) at the request of the THEA (Janus Research 2021). The current report is an addendum to that 2021 CRAS that was previously coordinated with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)/Florida Division of Historical Resources (FDHR) (Janus Research 2021; FDHR Project File Number 2021-5149). The objective of this CRAS addendum was to identify cultural resources within the project area of potential effect (APE) established for three new proposed pond locations, Ponds C, D, and E, and assess their eligibility for listing in the *National Register of Historic Places* (National Register) according to the criteria set forth in 36 CFR Section 60.4.

This assessment complied with the revised Chapter 267, *Florida Statutes (F.S.)* and the standards embodied in the FDHR's *Cultural Resource Management Standards and Operational Manual* (February 2003) and Chapter 1A-46 (*Archaeological and Historical Report Standards and Guidelines*), *Florida Administrative Code*. In addition, this report was prepared in consideration of the standards set forth in Part 2, Chapter 8 (*Archaeological and Historical Resources*) of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) *PD&E Manual* (effective July 1, 2020). All work conforms to professional guidelines set forth in the *Secretary of Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716, as amended and annotated). Principal Investigators meet the *Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards* (48 FR 44716) for archaeology, history, architecture, architectural history, or historic architecture.

As a result of the archaeological survey completed for the CRAS addendum, no archaeological sites or archaeological occurrences were identified within the proposed pond sites. No shovel testing was feasible within the APE due to the presence of existing rail corridor, modified embankment, and drainage ditching. Background

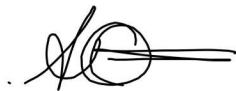
research and the pedestrian survey determined that the archaeological APE exhibits low potential for intact significant archaeological sites. The background research also determined that, unlike the western end of the larger area investigated during the 2021 CRAS, Ponds C, D, and E are each located outside of the main activity area associated with Fort Brooke, and no significant archaeological components associated with the Fort Brooke Military Reservation have been recorded in the vicinity of the archaeological APE. In addition, the background research noted that no previously recorded precontact period sites or human remains are recorded in or adjacent to Ponds C, D, or E.

Four historic resources were identified within the historic resources APE during the current survey effort, three of which were previously recorded and determined National Register-eligible: the Florida Central & Peninsular Railroad (8HI11987), the Perry Paint and Glass Company Building (8HI685), and Ardent Mills (8HI15084). The three previously recorded resources were documented in the FMSF as part of the aforementioned 2021 CRAS and were considered National Register-eligible. The SHPO/FDHR concurred with the evaluations of National Register eligibility for all three previously recorded historic resources on October 22, 2021. The fourth resource, the newly recorded Carlton Academy Day School (8HI15085) is considered National Register-ineligible due to its common style and diminished integrity.

Please also note that the building previously recorded at 1201 East Jackson Street (8HI5616) was observed during the field survey as having been demolished. Analysis of available aerial photographs revealed that the building at 1201 East Jackson Street was removed between 1995 and 1998.

We kindly request that this letter and document are reviewed, and concurrence is provided by your office. This information is provided in accordance with the provisions contained in the revised Chapter 267, F.S. If you have any questions regarding the subject project, please contact me at 813.272.6740, extension 124 or anna.quinones@tampa-xway.com.

Sincerely,



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Project Manager

The Florida Division of Historical Resources finds the attached document complete and sufficient and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> concurs/ <input type="checkbox"/> does not concur with the recommendations and findings provided in this cover letter for SHPO/FDHR Project File Number <u>2021-5149C</u> .	
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