

ORANGE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ACTION AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: December 15, 2009

Action Agenda  
Item No. 4-h

**SUBJECT:** Contribution to Hillsborough for West Margaret Lane Sidewalk

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**DEPARTMENT:** Asset Management &  
Purchasing Services

**PUBLIC HEARING:** (Y/N)

No

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Letter of Request from Town Manager  
Project Cost Estimate  
Site Plan

**INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Pam Jones, 245-2652

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**PURPOSE:** To consider partnering with the Town of Hillsborough to construct a sidewalk connecting the existing sidewalk in front of the new Library to Churton Street (see attached area map).

**BACKGROUND:** In accordance with approved plans, the County constructed a sidewalk along the frontage of the West Campus project. The sidewalk terminates at the County's property line leaving the area to Churton Street without easy pedestrian access.

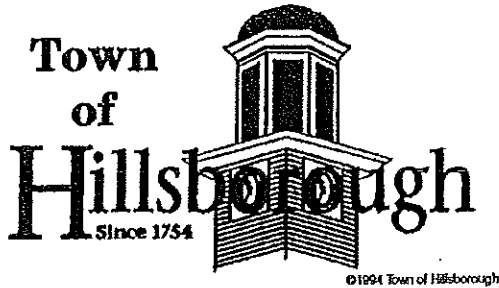
The Town of Hillsborough has requested the County be an equal partner in the construction of sidewalk which would extend along the south side of Margaret Lane to Churton Street. Brick pavers are proposed to match the sidewalk material at the West Campus project.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is expected to also participate and provide partial funding for the pedestrian signal head at the Churton Street crossing. This will make all four corners of the intersection pedestrian friendly and will allow much safer passage for pedestrians.

Construction would be occur under a contract issued through the Town and would commence as quickly as funding is secured.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Per the attached letter, the Town is asking the County to support 50% of the \$77,550 project cost – \$38,775. Sufficient funds are available within the County Campus Project fund to support the expenditure.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):** The Manager recommends the Board approve the sidewalk contribution not to exceed \$38,775 to be paid from the County Campus Project Fund; and authorize the Manager or his designee to execute documents as may be required to effect the expenditure.



November 30, 2009

Mr. Frank Clifton  
Orange County Manager  
P.O.Box 8181  
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Dear Frank,

Recently we discussed the town's plans to construct a sidewalk in the existing street right of way for West Margaret Lane. This improvement is to provide a safe pathway for customers of the relocated Orange County office and Library at 131 and 137 West Margaret Lane, respectively. In addition to installing sidewalk, the project will include the construction of curb and gutter along the south side of Margaret Lane, a pedestrian crosswalk to connect to Justice Facility campus on the east side of Churton Street, and sidewalk along Churton Street to connect to the existing improvements in front of the Orange Rural Fire Department.

Enclosed is a drawing of the proposed improvements, as well as a cost estimate prepared at the town's request. We have approached NCDOT representatives to secure their approval and assistance in paying for the pedestrian signal heads at the Churton crossing. While no paperwork has been formalized, we are comfortable with their approval and participation in the project.

The cost estimate, including the use of brick pavers so the sidewalk is of a consistent material, comes to \$77,550, as detailed on the attached spreadsheet. The town proposes to equally share the expense of this project with Orange County. We are hopeful that Orange County will be able to participate in this important infrastructure improvement that will benefit its customers and assure their safety. Any assistance would be appreciated as the town intends to move forward with this project as soon as full funding is identified.

Please contact me with questions.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Peterson  
Town Manager

Cc: Mayor Tom Stevens  
Hillsborough Town Board members

West Margaret Lane Sidewalk  
 Cost estimates  
 November 2009

1	0000100000-N	800	MOBILIZATION	1	LS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
2	0000400000-N	801	CONSTRUCTION SURVEYING	1	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
4	0043000000-N	226	GRADING	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
7	0518000000-E	300	FOUNDATION CONDITIONING MATERIAL, MINOR STRS	1	TNS	\$32.63	\$32.63
8	0366000000-E	310	15" RC PIPE CULVERTS, CLASS III	60	LF	\$24.60	\$1,476.00
17	0956000000-N	350	PIPE CLEAN-OUT	2	EA	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
25	2286000000-N	840	MASONRY DRAINAGE STRUCTURES	3	EA	\$1,575.00	\$4,575.00
29	2374000000-N	840	FRAME WITH GRATE & HOOD, STD. 840.03, TYPE ***	3	EA	\$597.50	\$1,672.50
30	2396000000-N	840	FRAME WITH COVER, STD 840.54	2	EA	\$281.25	\$562.50
32	2521000000-E	844	PAVEMENT AND CURB REMOVAL	393	SY	\$50.00	\$16,850.00
33	2549000000-E	846	2'-6" CONCRETE CURB & GUTTER	315	LF	\$14.92	\$4,699.80
34	2591000000-E	848	BRICK PAVERS w/Abc Base 8"	175	SY	\$45.00	\$7,875.00
36	2598000000-E	848	CONCRETE WHEELCHAIR RAMPS	3	SY	\$800.00	\$2,400.00
43	2660000000-N	859	CONVERT EXISTING CATCH BASIN TO JUNCTION BOX	1	EA	\$900.00	\$900.00
53		SP	TRAFFIC CONTROL	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
54	4810000000-E	1205	PAINT PAVEMENT MARKING LINES (4")	600	LF	\$0.11	\$66.00
55	4835000000-E	1205	PAVEMENT SYMBOLS	2	EA	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
58	4850000000-E	1205	REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT MARKING LINES (4")	300	LF	\$0.50	\$150.00
			CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING	1	LS	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
			CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION	1	LS	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
			CONTINGENCY 10%	0.1		\$65,499.43	\$6,549.94
TOTAL							\$77,549.37

This estimate includes the use of brick pavers to match existing materials in the area.  
 This estimate DOES NOT include pedestrian signal heads as preliminary indications are that NCDOT will fund this portion.

