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Traffic Nightmare 2.0

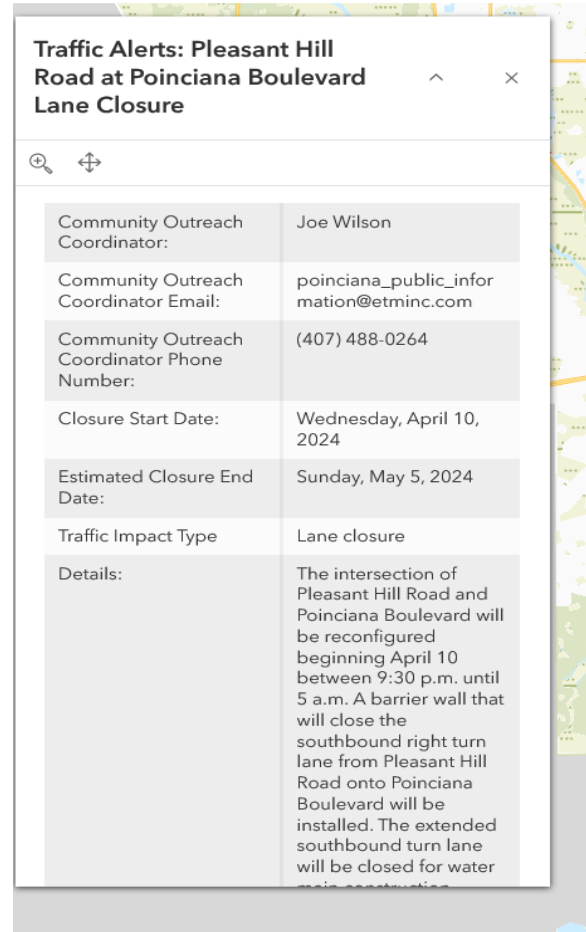
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The message boards indicate that the change will be made overnight April 14<sup>th</sup>. This conflicts with the above that is available on the county web site:

<https://osceola.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/9a6add0bb1784269ab80d6ef6e110dc7>

Time will tell if lessons were learned the last time they mucked with this intersection. I am not confident that they did learn lessons. So, everyone should be prepared for longer than normal commutes over the next month.

Feedback from social media indicates that the work is required (I agree 100%) so just plan accordingly. If the county had a history of initiative-taking and using every mitigation

option to ensure the least disruption possible I would agree. Over the years the county has had no institutional memory. Every time a change like this goes into a huge disruption ensues. Complaints are made and a closer look by the county department of transportation follows. Within a day or two additional mitigation measures are taken. My issue is why not the closer look before action is taken. I did make a presentation at the County Commission Feedback meeting on the issue. The power point can be found here: <https://sfaoo.com/traffic> Unfortunately I was the only one pushing the Commissioners on traffic issues. If change is what we want we must push the Commissioners at every meeting with large a crowd as possible.

Update:

I was able to speak to the Osceola County Transportation & Transit In-House Consultant about the upcoming work at the Poinciana and Pleasant Hill Road Interaction.

It turns out there are two activities to support the repair/upgrade of a water main.

The first will happen overnight starting on Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30pm and is currently on the county website.

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/9a6add0bb1784269ab80d6ef6e110dc7>

The intersection of Pleasant Hill Road (PHR) and Poinciana Boulevard will be reconfigured beginning April 10 between 9:30 p.m. until 5 a.m. A barrier wall that will close the southbound right turn lane from Pleasant Hill Road onto Poinciana Boulevard will be installed. The extended southbound turn lane will be closed for water main construction starting Wednesday, April 11 through May 5, and will then reopen to traffic. Motorists are advised to expect delays.

The 2nd activity will be the overnight closing of Poinciana Blvd to make the repairs. This is the work being advertised on the message boards. The full plan will be posted on the above website on Friday and will include the multiple dates the intersection will be closed overnight.

In conversation with the consultant, it was confirmed that the continuous right turn lane from Poinciana Blvd southbound to PHR southbound will not be impacted during the day and evening traffic peaks.

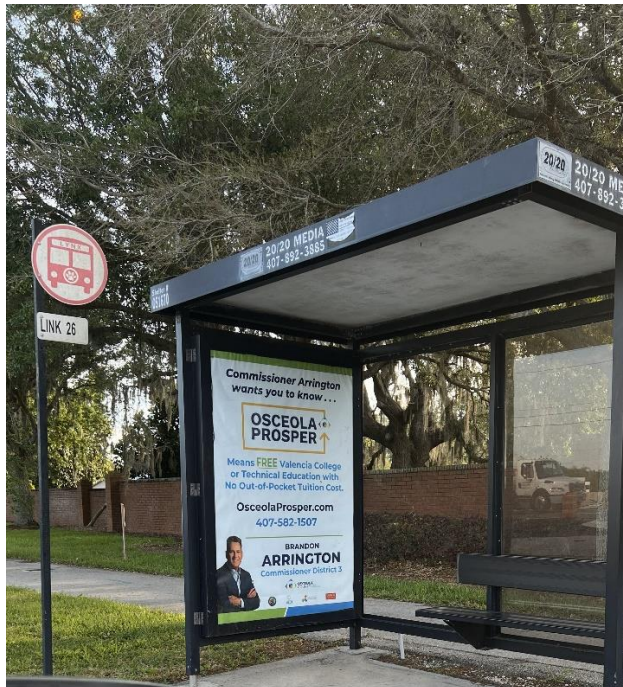
Only time will tell if this is correct.

Per the consultant the reason that both activities were not placed on the web page was the fear it would cause confusion. With the early placement of the message boards this decision led to additional confusion.

### From the Campaign

#### Taken Credit For Spending Taxpayer Funds.

Arrington is taking credit for county programs that are funded by the county, paid for by taxpayers and would not happen without the support of the entire board of commissioners. It is also unseemly during an election year to have only your picture and name on the below advertisement. Implying that Arrington is the only reason the program exists. As an aside as programs go this one is better than most



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Candidate Funding reports are available.

Not sure the Republican Candidate is serious. She is not a district resident. Only \$50 of her \$560 raised is from a district resident. As a realtor not sure she would ever vote against Developer interests.

In reviewing the current commissioner’s 4<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> qtr. reports it is clear a large majority of his funding is coming from the developer and real estate field. Again of \$95,000 less than \$4000 is from district residents. It is clear why he consistently approves all new developments.

Our work is cut out for us if we are going to change the system of rubber-stamping development at the Board of Commissioners.

### BIOB Chatter

Redundant back gate damaged for over 3 weeks with no update from the HOA. The question that should be answered: What is the long-term plan for this gate? If it is redundant use the money collected from the individual that damaged the gate to remove it and refurbish the entrance to make it look like a gate that never existed. The security fanatics (is that spelled phinatics?) would prefer a solution like this:



### Access Control Overreach

This issue is still ongoing. A HOA was supposed to hold a feedback meeting to allow the community to have a two-way conversation on. It was scheduled, rescheduled, and then canceled. Not looking good. Multiple residents are raising concerns about the new security providers’ treatment

of guests and residents at the gatehouse. The wearing of protective gear and presence of non-security company personnel at the gate house. The HOA and S&S committee should be setting the expectations for the vendor. I am not sure either are reading the room (community) as a whole. What they are missing is that we are a residential community, so it is not against the law to set foot on the threshold to the gatehouse as it may be at the in-processing center of a prison, not: a prison, the White House, a military base with special weapons, we are a residential community. Hopefully, the HOA and S&S committee will reset the expectation the residents have of our security vendor.

### Feedback

A social media trend I am seeing in the BIOB is push back for not following the company line. As you can imagine I disagree with this. The more viewpoints the better. Please if you have any questions or pushback send me an email.

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