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June 24, 2015

Motion to approve April minutes with first two paragraphs held for follow-up was made, seconded, and approved. First two paragraphs concern clarifying March minutes and looking into adding an additional column for age in Crash Statistics Report Data.

OLD BUSINESS

- Pithaloochee Bridge median U-turns: not many crashes found so far
 - Need to continue monitoring
 - Current status of possibly redundant signage will be followed up
- Bike to Work Day: 300% increase in participation compared to last event
- Issue of lots of south-side US 19 signals being placed in flash at night, allowing speeding for long stretches
 - Will have to follow up with DOT to confirm if moving away from flashes
- Publix at Marine: redo of median reduced crashes
- Pasco purchased traffic count data and contract with company to manage traffic counts
 - New system provides GIS mapping capability to consolidate the five count program suites currently used
 - Cloud-based system can possibly be made available to the public in the future with more funding

NEW BUSINESS

- February Crash Data Report
 - Mostly confident that there were no traffic-related fatalities for February
 - Around 800 crashes reported
 - January to today – 21 fatalities across county
 - Up from previous years
- Little and Grove: lots of motorcycle crashes this year compared to past five, looking in to how to curtail crashes
 - Curve of road makes seeing intersection difficult
- Lane drift are causing a lot of crashes
 - Half of fatal accidents are alcohol/drug related
- Traffic Ops partnered with Sheriff Office in providing list of residential collector roads with lots of speeding complaints in the past five years



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- Speeding enforcement in areas led to positive community feedback and provided good PR for both county and sheriff office
- Road projects:
 - Perrine Ranch – Seven Springs: nearing completion
 - Perrine Ranch – Grand Blvd: nearing completion, turn lanes added
 - Ridge Road: contractor requested additional 180 days but expected to be completed soon
 - Mass – Little rebuild: just started, turns lanes and protected turn to be added
 - Regency Park – Ridge: out for bid, southbound left turns are currently problematic
 - Ridge – Lemon: out for bid
- 3 new troopers are currently in field training
- FDOT \$30 million available statewide for off-system road grants
 - Does not compete with Safe Route to School funds
 - Statewide inspired by past \$4 million / year off-system funds used by District 7
- Grant money for pedestrian/bike safety is available to counties identified to have high fatalities, Pasco is eligible
- Click-it-or-ticket program needs more agency participation
 - Request for law enforcement agency to improve enforcement of seatbelts
- West of Meadow Point Blvd where 4-lane becomes 2-lanes, some chevrons might be missing from median and a road-closed sign is left over from construction
 - Have to clear up who's road it is
- Complaints of overgrown trees on 41, have to be maintained by Pasco
- High number of crashes on Seven Springs Blvd, over 200 crashes over past 5 years
 - Identified as a high-priority road
 - Would like engineering support from FDOT or their consultants for help with improving road
 - Curvy nature of road is a problem
- Would like to initiate a road safety audit next month's meeting