

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Board of Commissioners

FROM: Bryan Gruesbeck, Town Manager

SUBJECT: HWY 87 Sidewalk Proposal

DATE: November 12, 2013

Background: Attached please find a proposal from Summit Design and Engineering to survey and design a sidewalk extension on NC HWY 87 south from HWY 64 to Pittsboro Elementary School Road. The survey and design work is important in order to help determine where the sidewalk would be placed.

As discussed during previous Board meetings, NCDOT will require a “buffer” between the sidewalk and the road – meaning that the Town would need to choose between treatments that involve a sidewalk on the residential side of a drainage swale, or the use of curb, gutter and storm drain. Each treatment has its disadvantage. Placing a sidewalk on the residential side of the drainage swale would encroach into front yards. Constructing a curb and gutter is more costly.

The total cost for survey and design work totals \$11,900. Summit Design and Engineering is also working on the East Street Sidewalk Extension survey and design work.

Action Requested: Approve the proposal from US Infrastructure of Carolina, Inc. and authorize the Town Manager to execute a contract.