

Betmar ~ A 55 & Older Community

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MEMO FROM BILL ROBERTSON, PROPERTIES CHAIRMAN

To all Betmar residents:

We have recently been in touch with Robin Ringeisen from State Representative, Randy Maggard's office regarding the flooding issues in Betmar. Robin contacted Pasco County and SWFMD regarding the continuing issues and below are the responses she has received.

I am sending this memo so that all Betmar residents are up to date with the process we have been trying to achieve to solve our flooding problems.

Pasco County response:

The Zephyr Creek Feasibility Study will develop potential stormwater improvement concepts and determine cost-effectiveness for multiple alternatives along Zephyr Creek. The study is cooperatively funded with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD). The Task Order between the consultant and the County is due on 7/21/2021. Afterwards, we will evaluate the alternatives and determine whether the improvements are acceptable for future design and permitting via a Capital Improvement Project (CIP). The study will be delivered to the SWFWMD by 1/05/2022

SWFWMD response:

The project Betmar is referring to, is the Zephyr Creek Drainage Improvement Project. This was an FY2018 cooperative funding project with the District and Pasco County as the lead agency. The original project was approved for funding match for design, permitting, and construction for improvements to conveyance within and along Zephyr Creek. During the design and permitting phase of the project, it was found that the flood reduction benefits that they originally applied for would not be achieved and the project was cancelled by Pasco County on October 7, 2019. However, Pasco County reapplied for funding of a feasibility study in FY21 for this same area to better identify a project that will provide flood protection benefit for the residents. This is project Q169 Zephyr Creek Feasibility Study. Pasco County has contracted with a consultant and the study is currently underway.