

Westgate/Belvedere Homes
Community Redevelopment Agency

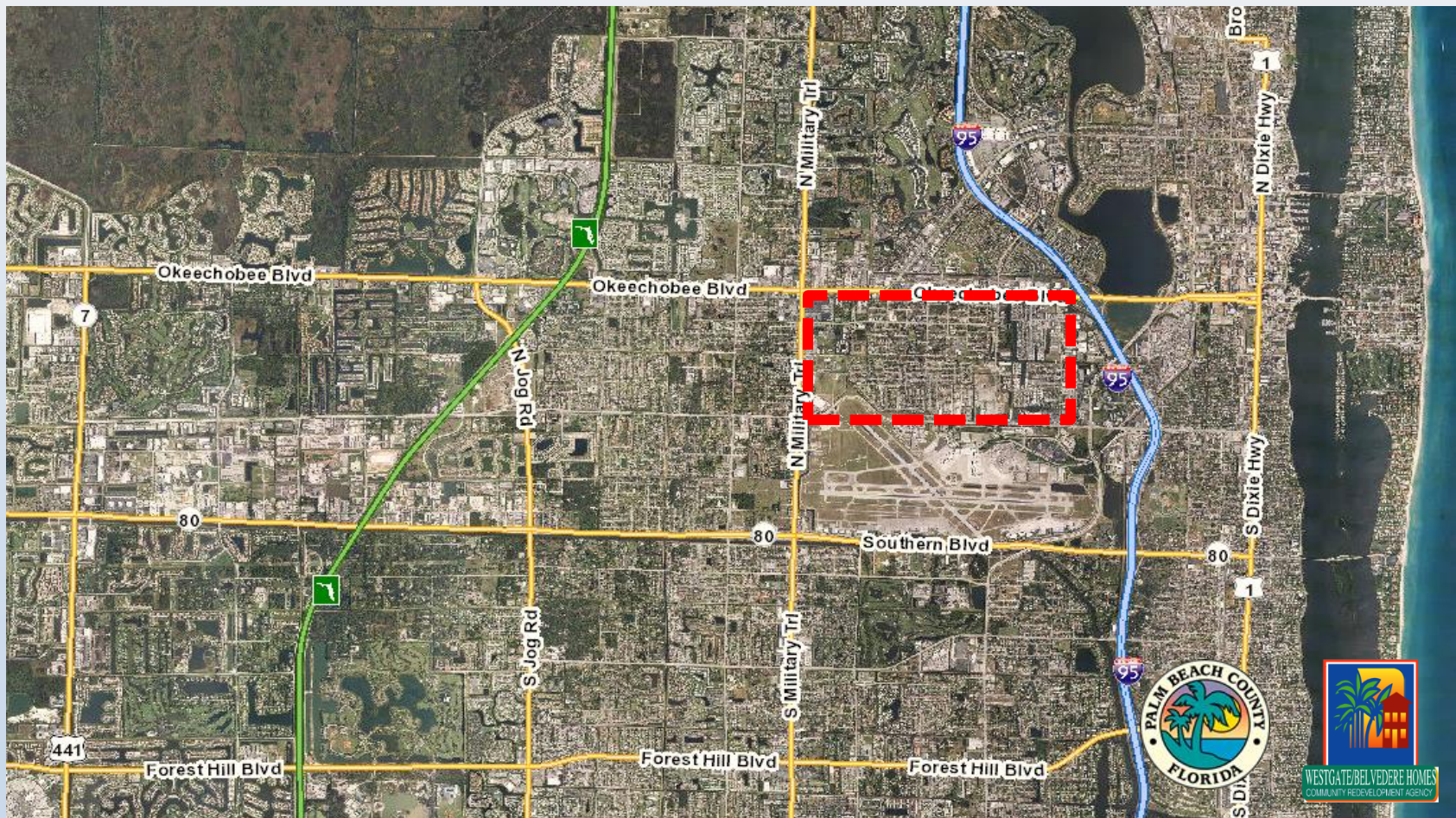
Belvedere Heights Streetlights & Sidewalks Improvements Project Phase I

MPO 2017 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
BTPAC Special Workshop
Thursday, April 6, 2017



WESTGATE CRA AREA

- Approx. 1,300 acres or 2 square miles
- Area bounded by Okeechobee Blvd., N. Military Trail, Belvedere Rd., and N. Florida Mango Rd.



WESTGATE CRA BACKGROUND

- Westgate CRA created in May 1989 by the BCC pursuant to FS 163 Part III
- With the primary objective of improving public infrastructure and promoting social and economic development
- Agency receives tax increment revenue (TIF) based on property improvement values from PBC annually
- Used to implement goals of Redevelopment Plan
- Leverage TIF dollars with State and Federal grant funding
- Completed over \$30 million in sanitary sewer, drainage, roadway, and flood mitigation improvements in residential neighborhoods from 1992-2012



SUCCESSFUL CRA INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Streetlight Programs

Belvedere Homes

- Ongoing since 1999 – CRA funded

Cherry Road

- 40 decorative light standards –
CRA funded



CHERRY ROAD STREETLIGHTS



SUCCESSFUL CRA INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Public Infrastructure

South Westgate 1992 -1996

- **\$3.3 million bond** secured for sanitary sewer, drainage & roadway improvements

North Westgate 2004 -2011

- Multi-phase (6) sanitary sewer, drainage & roadway improvement project spanning 7 years
- **\$7 million** in grant funding leveraged with CRA TIF funds

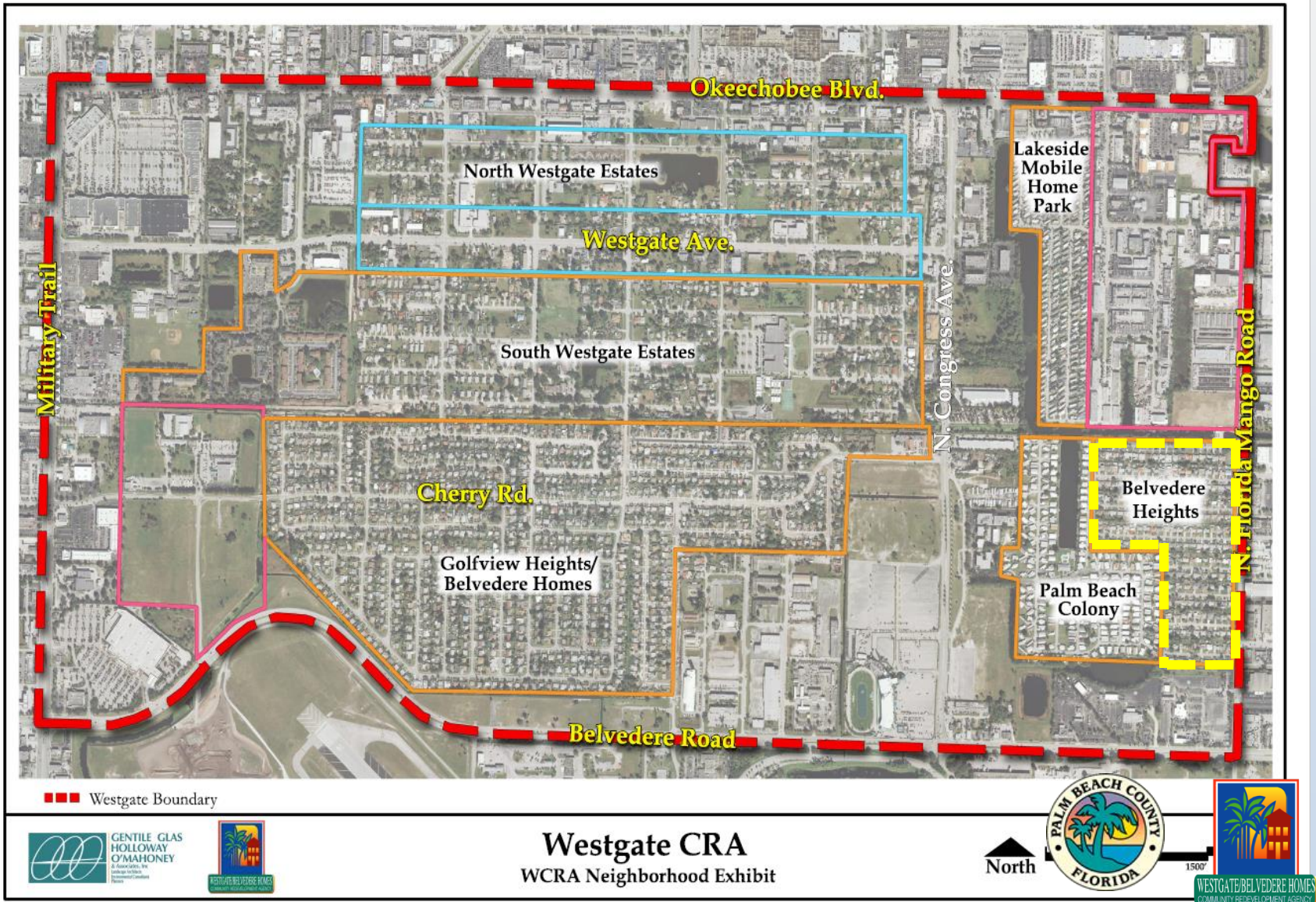


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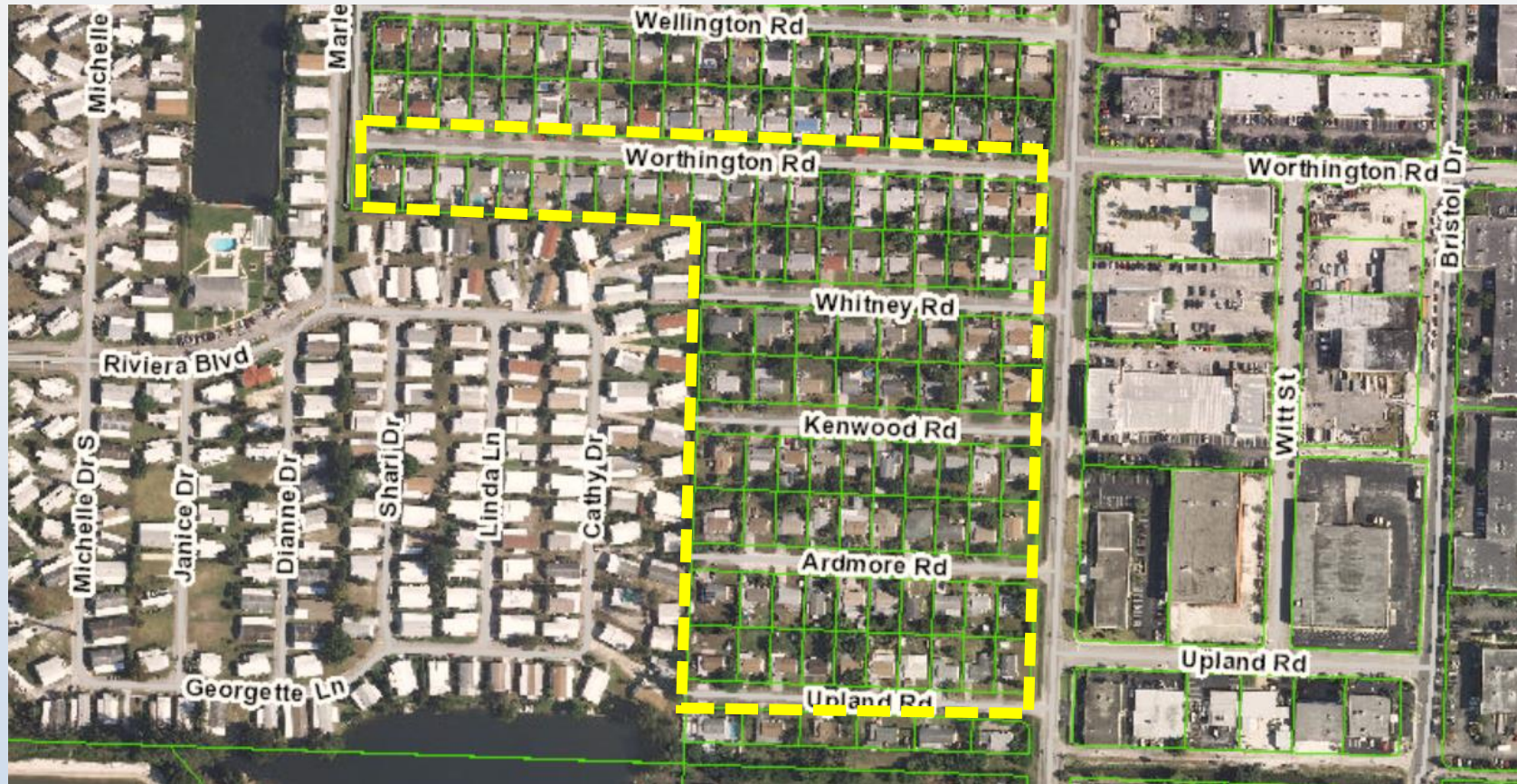
- Improvements to infrastructure continue to be a CRA focus
- Above-ground streetscape improvements and development of walkable public spaces
- Many pockets throughout CRA without adequate streetlighting or a connected sidewalk network
- Belvedere Heights is a small residential neighborhood accessed only from N. Florida Mango Road
- No existing streetlights or sidewalks



GENERAL PROJECT LOCATION



PHASE I LOCATION – UPLAND ROAD TO WORTHINGTON ROAD



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- Intended to increase walkability, pedestrian safety, and neighborhood security by improving basic infrastructure
- +/- 4,350 linear feet of new 5' wide concrete sidewalks on 5 local streets
- Total of 35 decorative pedestrian-scale streetlights
- All planned improvements are in County R-O-W
- Phase II – remainder of Belvedere Heights neighborhood from Wellington Rd. to Bridgeman Drive
- Future phases – roadway improvements & bike lanes throughout neighborhood and N. Florida Mango



EXISTING CONDITIONS



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TYPICAL SECTION – EXISTING 50' ROW
(STREETMIX)

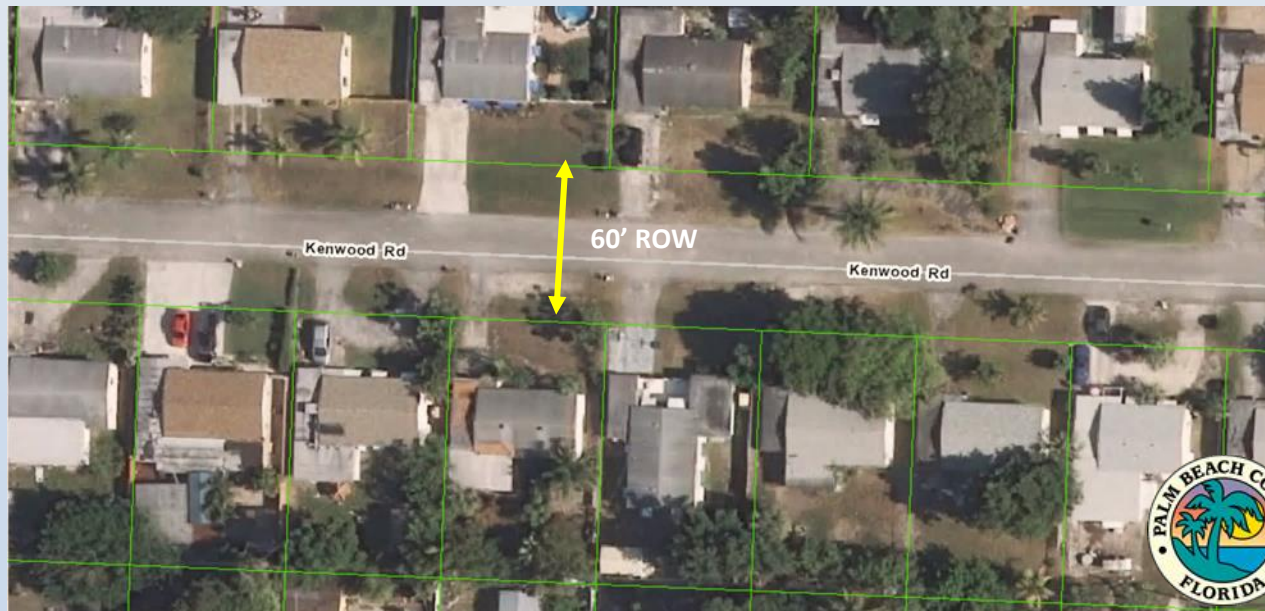
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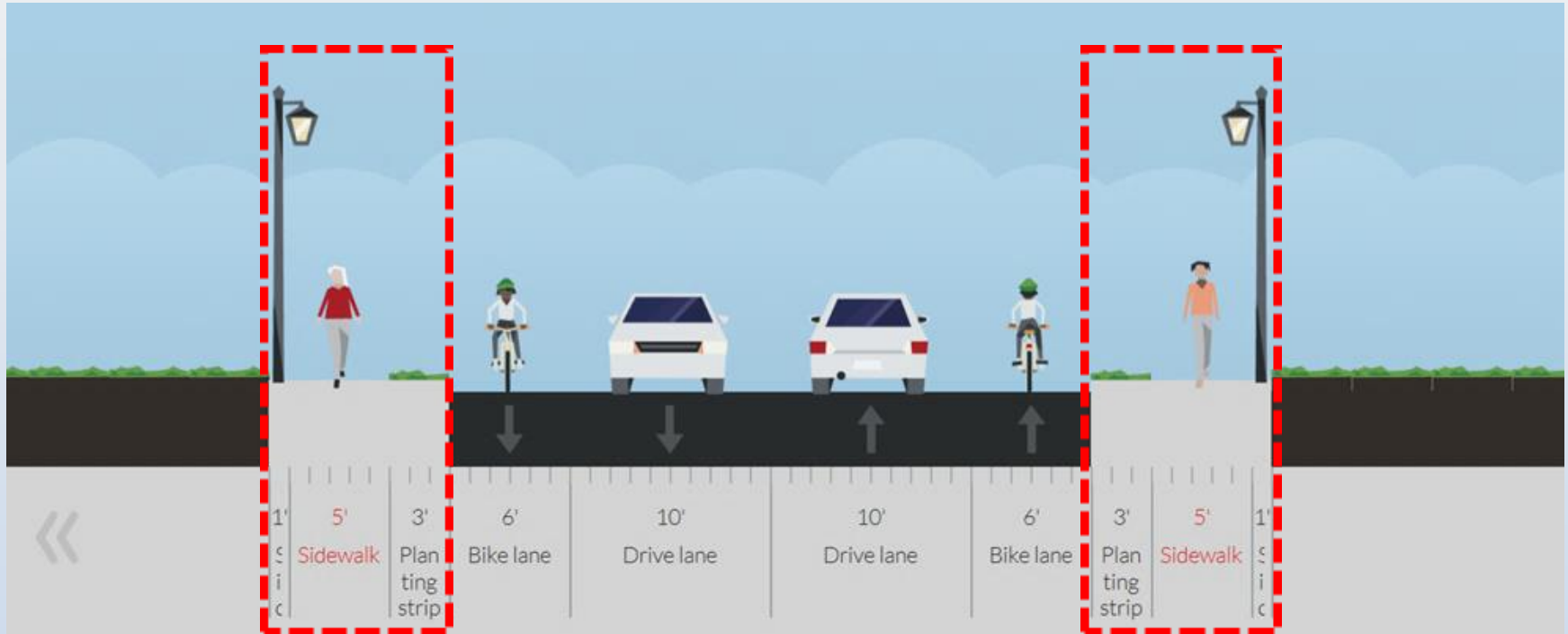
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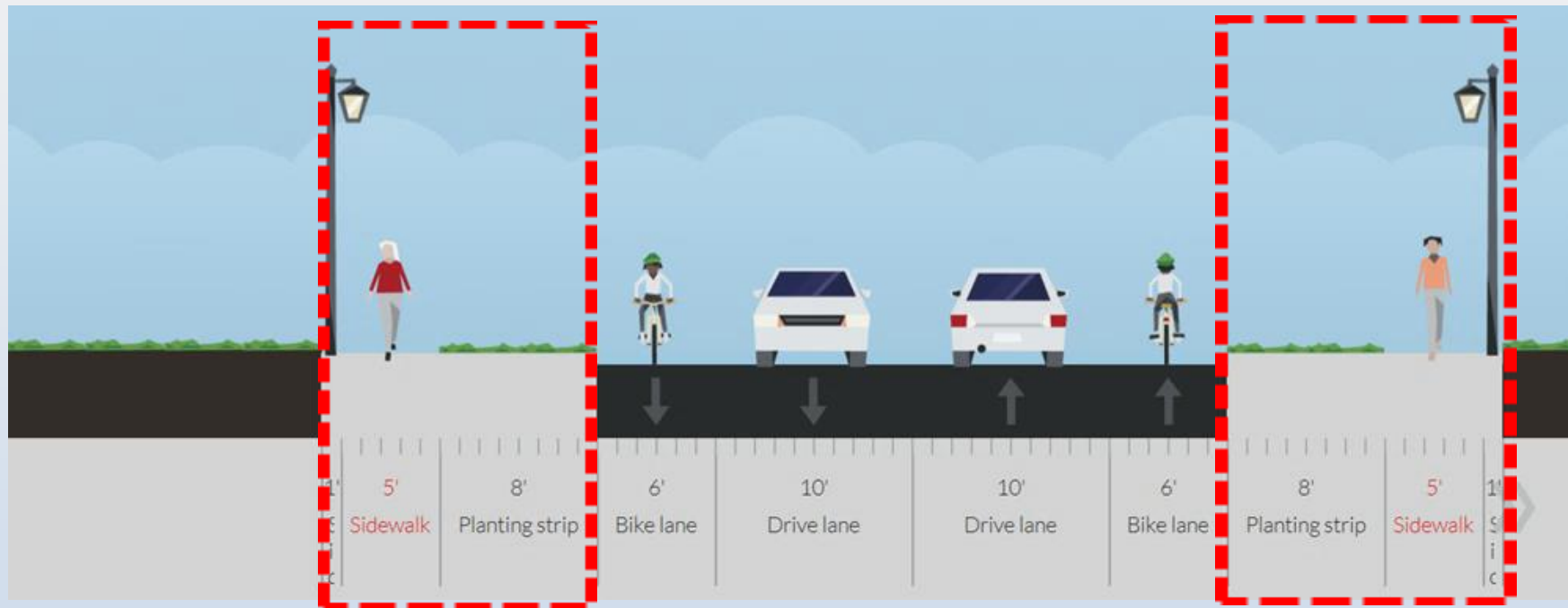
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PROPOSED STREETLIGHT LOCATIONS



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Safety, Security and Complete Streets

- Project designed to consider future roadway improvements
- Allow for a future 6' paved shoulder/bike lane on both sides of street and reduced 10' drive lanes
- Addition of sidewalks furthers ADA compliance by providing crosswalk striping and by connecting to existing sidewalks on N. Florida Mango Road
- Provides safer route for children to access school bus drop off/pick up times
- Improves non-motorized safety by providing 4,000 points for new sidewalks
- A planned lane reduction from 12' to 10' and the addition of 6' bike lanes increases non-motorized points to +/- 8,000



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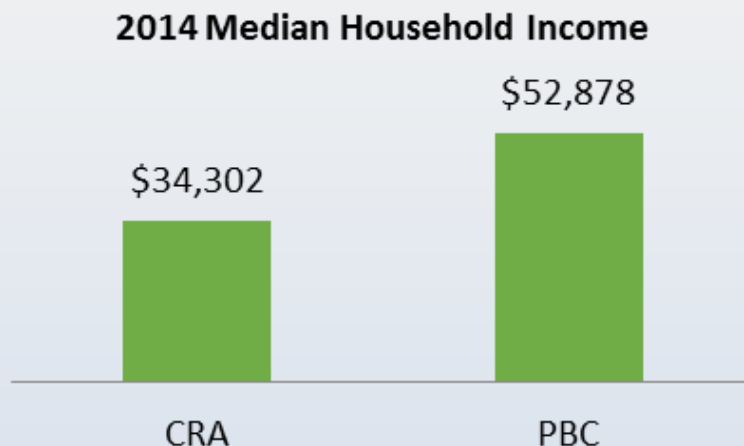
2. Maximizing MPO Funds

- Estimated total project costs \$1,484,206.18
- Requesting \$935,581.93 in TAP grant funding
- Utilizing local funds (CRA TIF and/ or grant funding from alternate sources) for design, contingency, and CEI activities
- LAP agreement with PBC Engineering & Public Works



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

3. Equity – Median HH Income



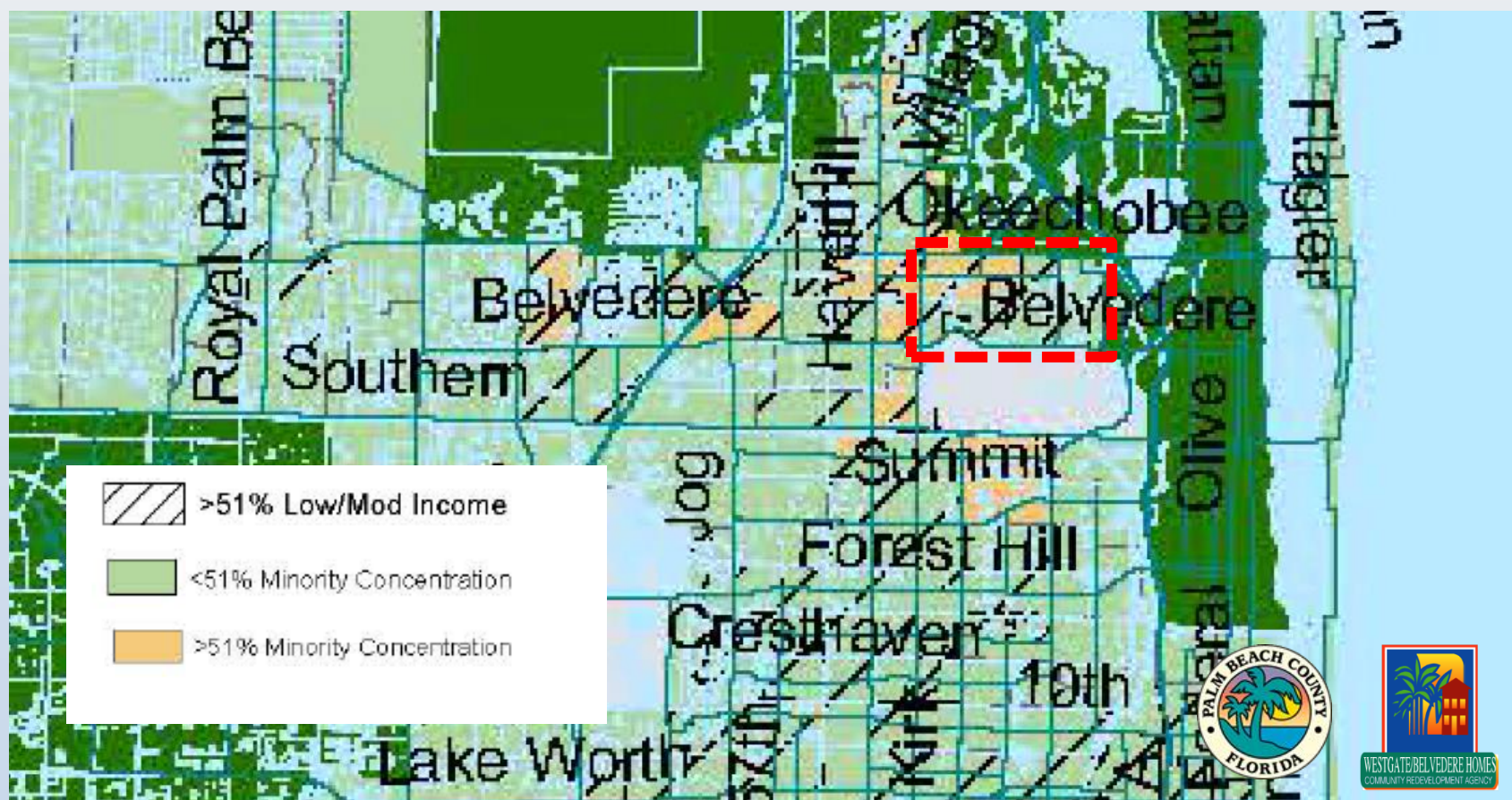
- 2014 population of 11,433
- 2,939 households in 2014
- 57% of CRA households in lower income ranges
- 28% are considered very low



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

3. Equity – Traditionally Underserved Population

PBC Jurisdictions – Low Income & Ethnic Minority Concentrations
(DES Consolidated Plan 2015-2020)



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

4. Local Support & Environmental Impacts

- Improved sidewalk network and streetlights identified by community at 2015 Forum
- As well as continuing concern over crime and safety
- 2010-2015 PBSO data shows an overall increase in crime in the CRA area
- Addition of streetlights act as a deterrent to criminal activity
- Increases security and visibility for law enforcement – project is supported by PBSO community policing deputies
- No anticipated negative environmental impacts



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

4. Non-Motorized Connectors & Efficient Transit

- Belvedere Road identified as a 110' R-O-W thoroughfare
 - ✓ Provision to add 6' bike lane in future neighborhood roadway design improving connectivity to Belvedere Road
- Belvedere Heights neighborhood has access to Palm Tran Routes 42 and 44 to downtown WPB, multi-modal transit station
 - ✓ Sidewalks and streetlights provide secure passage and walkability to transit points on N. Florida Mango Road and Belvedere Road



FUNDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

5. Proximity Benefit

- ✓ Project is within 0.6 miles of Westgate Elementary School
- ✓ Project is within 1.8 miles of Cross County Shopping Plaza
- ✓ Project is within 1.15 miles of Westgate Recreation Center



**Questions?
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Thank you!**

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