



October 5, 2020

St. Lucie County  
Board of County Commissioners  
2300 Virginia Avenue  
Fort Pierce, FL 34983

Re: Indian River Drive at Savannah Road Intersection – Multi-Way Stop

Dear Board of County Commissioners:

Please accept this request from the City of Fort Pierce for the evaluation and ultimate installation of a multi-way stop condition at the intersection of Indian River Drive and Savannah Road. As you are aware, Indian River Drive, a county-maintained roadway, and Savannah Road, a city-maintained roadway, intersect along the bank of the Indian River. Current configuration allows for through movement along Indian River Drive with a stop condition on Savannah Road. The City of Fort Pierce is in support and requests a stop condition be implemented for Indian River Drive to provide safety improvements at this intersection. The City is requesting this improvement based on the following factors:

- Limited Sight Distance – Drivers waiting to enter Indian River Drive from Savannah Road are challenged by the lack of a clear line of sight. Both the north and south views are partially obstructed by utility poles and landscape vegetation. This coupled with the change in elevations of Indian River Drive creates a condition that the road user on Savannah Road cannot see on-coming traffic and is not able to safely negotiate the intersection unless cross traffic is also required to stop.
- Speeds Above Posted Limit – As confirmed by the attached Traffic Calming Feasibility Study, prepared by Kimley Horn and Associates in February 2018, the majority of vehicles traveling through this intersection are above the posted speed limit. The report indicates that 85% of the vehicles approaching this intersection are in excess of 6 mph over the posted 35 mph limit.

The City of Fort Pierce respectfully requests St. Lucie County conduct an engineering study to determine warrants for the installation of stop signs on Indian River Drive at the intersection of Savannah Road to improve the safety of the traveling public.

If you have any questions or would like to receive additional information, please contact City Manager Nick Mimms at 772.467.3793 or [nmimms@cityoffortpierce.com](mailto:nmimms@cityoffortpierce.com).

Sincerely,

Linda Hudson, Mayor

Attachment