LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Quit Claim Deeds for Abandoned Right of Way for Dineshkumar Patel

DATE OF MEETING: April 13, 2021 Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A
FUNDING SOURCE:

() Annual
() Capital
(X) N/A
() SPLOST
() TSPLOST

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approval and authorize the Chairman to sign the Quit Claim Deeds

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: Dineshkumar Patel owns property west of I-75 depicted as Tract 1 and outlined in red on the attached survey. Mr. Patel has asked the County to quitclaim to him a portion of the right-of-way of Baytree Road west of I-75 adjoining his property abandoned after the construction of I-75. It is depicted as Tract 3 and highlighted in orange on the attached survey. Mr. Patel has also asked the County to quitclaim to him a portion of the right-of-way of James Road north of St. Augustine Road adjoining his property also abandoned after the construction of I-75. It is depicted as Tract 2 and highlighted in yellow on the attached survey.

Prior to abandonment, the County's interest in land in each of these rights-of-way was an easement for the purpose of a county road. The adjoining property owners held the underlying fee simple title each to the centerline subject to the County's easements. The abandonments terminated the County's easements and vested full ownership in the adjoining property owners each to the centerline. The proposed quitclaim deeds will clarify and establish as a matter of public record that the County does not claim an interest in the subject portions of the abandoned rights-of-way.

As a matter of background, in 1965, the County quitclaimed a portion of abandoned right-of-way of Baytree Road (highlighted in blue) to the owner of the property to the north of the Patel property. Then, in 1990, the County quitclaimed a portion of abandoned right-of-way of Baytree Road (highlighted in green) and a portion of abandoned right-of-way of James Road (highlighted in pink) to the owner of the property to the east of the Patel property.

The Quitclaim Deeds Mr. Patel requests are attached.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve and authorize Chairman Slaughter to execute Quit Claim Deeds.

2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>: Engineering <u>DEPARTMENT HEAD</u>: Mike Fletcher