11th Avenue Widening Proposal

Policy Reference: OE-13: The superintendent shall assure that physical facilities support the accomplishment of the board's *Results* policies, are safe and properly maintained.

Background Information: Traffic congestion has been a constant issue at and around Ocean Drive Elementary (formerly North Myrtle Beach Primary) school for many years. The City of North Myrtle Beach has been working with adjacent landowners over the past year to implement plans to widen 11th Avenue as a result of receiving a portion of the required project funding from the Horry County Transportation Committee (CTC). As this will be of benefit to both public and private uses, including Horry County Schools, the City is requesting adjacent landowners participate through an apportioned cost sharing of the balance of construction costs. The City has agreed to include the design of a turn lane that would increase the school's car rider queuing storage, the cost for which would be by borne by HCS. In addition, HCS has applied for a FEMA grant to improve on-site drainage at the school. If approved, the outfall for the new drainage system would need to exit into the right-of-way for 11th Avenue. With the widening and new turn lane construction, this outfall connection and increased runoff flow would necessitate additional piping along 11th Avenue, the cost for which HCS would also bear.

Purpose: To relieve traffic congestion, improve traffic circulation, and enhance on-site drainage at Ocean Drive Elementary School.

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Recommended Action: Approve and provide HCS funding to the City of North Myrtle Beach for the implementation of the improvements described above.

Estimated Costs: $200,000.00   Road widening portion
$200,000.00   Right turn lane
$100,000.00   Additional piping to receive HCS drainage

$500,000.00   **HCS Total** (Includes Contingency)

Recurring __   Non-recurring__X_
Funding Sources: Building Modification Funds