ACCESS MANAGEMENT STANDARDS FOR COUNTY ROADS ON THE

THOROUGHFARE RIGHT OF WAY IDENTIFICATION MAP

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PALM BEACH COUNTY ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Roadway Classifications

<u>For the purposes of access management</u> all County maintained roadways shown on the Thoroughfare Right of Way Identification Map shall be classified into one of two categories:

- 80' Right Of Way Undivided Collector Roadway Constructed To 5 Lane Section or 80' Right Of Way Collector Roadway With Islands Constructed To 4/5 Lane Section.
- 100' Or Greater Right Of Way Divided Arterial Roadway

80' Right Of Way Undivided Collector Roadways Or Collector Roadways With Islands have a 5 lane curb and gutter typical section with sidewalks on both sides. The center lane on such County roadways is marked for two-way left turns, except for the islands or where conditions indicate that dedicated one-way turn lanes should be provided. One-way turn lanes would be provided for signalized intersections and in locations where physical barriers (such as adjacent parallel canals) preclude turning in one direction.

Such roadways are intended to be expanded to provide separate right turn lanes at intersections with other Thoroughfare Plan Roadways. Roadway may have a median and dual left turn lanes at the intersection with Thoroughfare Plan Roadways if required by the traffic volumes.

In the cases of 80' right of way roads that have not been built to their ultimate sections, the spacing of connections and turn lanes shall be based on the ultimate design section for the roadway.

<u>100' Or Greater Right Of Way Divided Arterial Roadways</u> include all divided County roadways shown on the Thoroughfare Plan whose rights of way are 100' or greater. Typically, these roadways have 4 or more lane ultimate sections, but in some cases may have up to 8 lanes. In either case, the ultimate sections have median and outside curb and gutter, and sidewalks are generally provided on both sides of the roadway. Left turn lanes are accommodated within the medians of these roadways.

Such roadways are intended to be expanded to provide separate right turn lanes and dual left turn lanes at their intersections with other Thoroughfare Plan Roadways.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS TRAFFIC DIVISION

ETO-402 TO: Traffic Division Personnel PPM NUMBER:

Director, Traffic Division **REVIEWED DATE: 06/07/2021** FROM:

> REVISED DATE: 01/24/2019 EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/01/1994

SUBJECT: Waivers from the County's Adopted Access Management Standards

CONTACT POSITIONS: Director

Senior Professional Engineer (Growth Management)

PURPOSE: To provide a policy and procedure to request waivers from the County's adopted Access

Management Standards.

POLICY: The Director (or in absence, their designee) shall have the authority to administer and

interpret the County's adopted Access Management Standards on all roadways governed by those standards. Upon the formal request for a waiver being made, the Director shall have one week within which to render a decision on the request. In cases when a request for access has been denied by the Director because it did not comply with the adopted standards, the

applicant may seek a waiver from the standards using the following procedure.

PROCEDURE:

All appealed requests for waivers from the adopted Access Management Standards shall be made in writing to the Director. Such requests are to contain justification to support the requested waiver, along with any relevant support materials.

The Director shall schedule a meeting of the Access Review Staff (AR Staff) to consider such waiver requests. The AR Staff shall consist of the County Engineer, the Deputy County Engineer, the Assistant County Engineer, the Director of Roadway Production, and the Director of Land Development. The AR Staff shall evaluate each request on the basis of the evidence submitted, along with testimony from the applicant, and input from the Director of Traffic.

It is the intent that the AR Staff meet within two weeks of the Director of Traffic receiving a request for a waiver. Ordinarily, a decision will be reached by the AR Staff during its meeting. However, the AR Staff may take up to one week after the meeting to evaluate a waiver request, if it finds such additional time necessary.

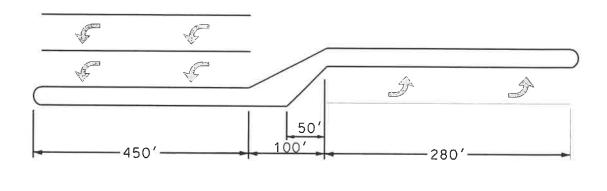
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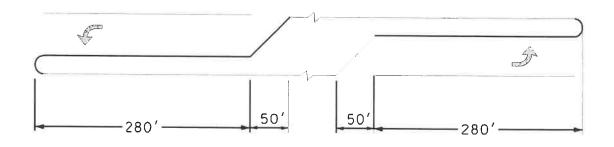
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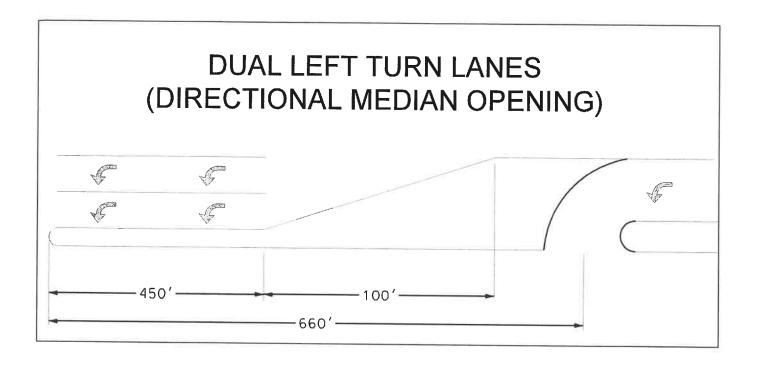
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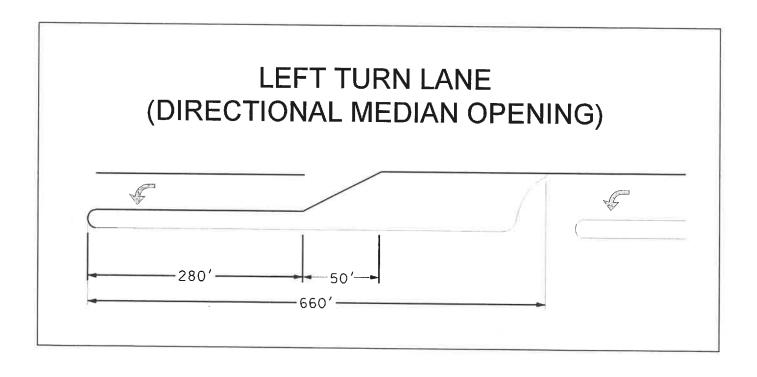
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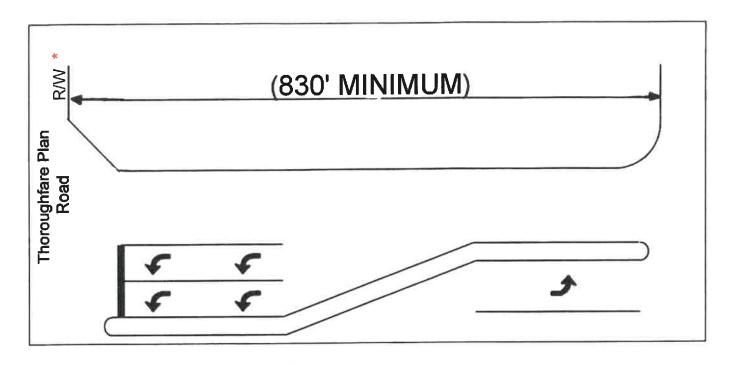


SINGLE LEFT TURN LANES (FULL MEDIAN OPENING)

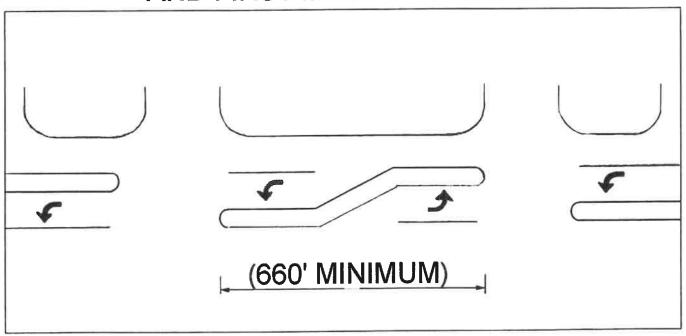




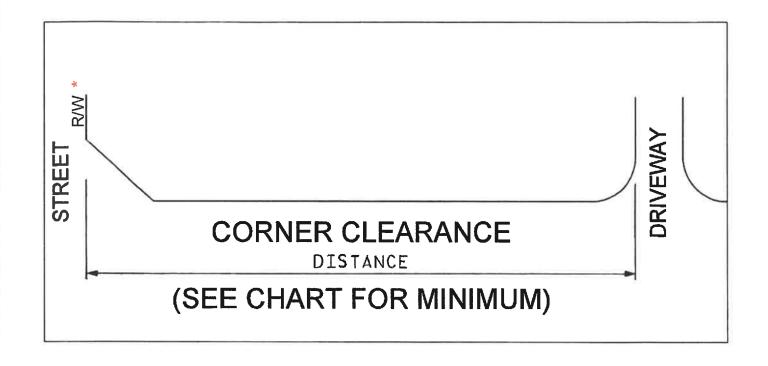


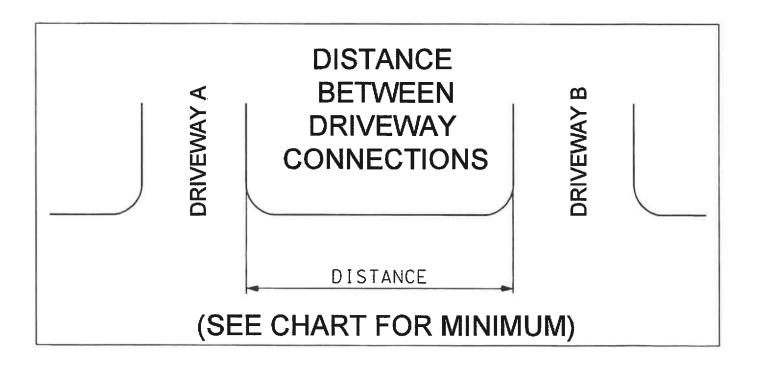


DISTANCE BETWEEN DUAL LEFT TURN LANES AND FIRST MEDIAN OPENING



DISTANCE BETWEEN MEDIAN OPENINGS





ACCESS MANAGEMENT MINIMUM DIMENSIONS

Signal Spacing	.25 mile	.25 mile	.5 mile
Median Opening (Exp. Int. Directional)	N/A	N/A	,099
Median Opening (Expanded Intersection) (Full)	N/A	N/A	830,
Median Opening (Directional)	N/A	N/A	,099
Median Opening (Full)	N/A	N/A	660'/830'
Driveway Connection Spacing	125' *	125' *	245' *
Corner Clearance Distance (Thoroughfare Plan Road)	75' **	125' **	125' **
Corner Clearance Distance (Minor St)	50'	20,	75'
Roadway Classification	80' R/W Collector	80' R/W Collector with islands	100' or Greater Arterial

All stated dimensions are minimums

On roads not built to their ultimate sections, spacing is to be in accordance with ultimate roadway classification.

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^{*} This is the minimum spacing allowed between driveways. The number of driveways to serve a site shall be kept to a minimum and shall be evaluated on a case by case basis.

^{**} Egress high volume (>500 ADT) driveway shall not be located within designated right turn lane. Even where no right turn lane exists, the egress from a high volume driveway shall not be located within 200 feet of an intersection.