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CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE COMPLETES TWO ROADWAY PROJECTS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE



Photo of Vice Mayor Jack Kelly, Butch Terpening - President Culpepper and Terpening, Vinny Amato Vice President of Felix and City Commissioner Chris Cooper "Opening of Westmoreland Boulevard on 12/14"

(Port St. Lucie, FL) – Under the direction of Assistant City Manager, Greg Oravek, the City of Port St. Lucie has completed both Westmoreland Boulevard and Rosser Road expansions ahead of schedule and under budget in time to ease the area's holiday and seasonal traffic.

The first phase of Rosser Boulevard from Gatlin Boulevard to Aledo Lane was expanded from 2 to 4 lanes to accommodate the new Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, and Portofino Court Development has been completed on time even though the weather has not been very cooperative. The first phase of this \$2.64 Million project has been completed within the original budget and on time.

This section of the overall project included signalization for two intersections and maintenance of traffic plans that insured continued access during construction for a police sub-station. This section of Rosser Boulevard was opened to traffic on December 19, with a final completion in June of 2008.

All phases of the Westmoreland Boulevard project have been completed in just 220 of the projected 300 days. The roadway was open for traffic flow on December 14th. A \$5.5 million design and construction project came in at \$5 million, approximately 10% below budget. The Westmoreland expansion opens the boulevard from 2 to 4 lanes. The expansion runs from Cambridge to Port St. Lucie Boulevard adding both 8' sidewalks and landscaping. The project included stormwater improvements which previously drained into the nearby river. The project accommodates entrance to Riverwalk South's hotel and restaurant complex as well as the city's botanical gardens. The City of Port St. Lucie attributes the speed of the project to the residents allowing the closure of Westmoreland Boulevard to expedite the construction.

The Westmoreland project was completed by Felix Associates of Florida and the Rosser Boulevard project is being constructed by W. Jackson & Sons. Both were designed by Culpepper and Terpening, Inc. based in St. Lucie County.