

½ Mile Segment Location: Orange County History Center to N Eola Dr. __

Date: ___7/20/11_____

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1. Pedestrian Facilities (High): presence of a suitable walking surface, such as a sidewalk or path.

1 No permanent facilities; pedestrians walk in roadway or on dirt path

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5 Continuous sidewalk on both sides of road, or completely away from roads



2. Pedestrian Conflicts (High): potential for conflict with motor vehicle traffic due to driveway and loading dock crossings, speed and volume of traffic, large intersections, low pedestrian visibility.

1 High conflict potential

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3 Lots of cars travel this popular downtown area making it more risky than it would seem nearby Rosalind Ave also presents many fast traveling cars trying to beat traffic lights.



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5 Low conflict potential

3. Crosswalks (High): presence and visibility of crosswalks on roads intersecting the segment. Traffic signals meet pedestrian needs with separate 'walk' lights that provide sufficient crossing time.

1 Crosswalks not present despite major intersections

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5 No intersections, or crosswalks clearly marked (see photo 2)

4. Maintenance (Medium): cracking, buckling, overgrown vegetation, standing water, etc. on or near walking path. Does not include temporary deficiencies likely to soon be resolved (e.g. tall grass).

1 Major or frequent problems

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4 This area is very well kept. The city's jewel of Lake Eola has been well maintained.



5 No problems

5. Buffer (Medium): space separating path from adjacent roadway.

1 No buffer from roadway

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4 > 4 feet from roadway



5 Not adjacent to roadway

6. Aesthetics (Medium): includes proximity of construction zones, fences, buildings, noise pollution, quality of landscaping, and pedestrian-oriented features, such as benches and water fountains.

1 Uninviting

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5 Pleasant (see all reference photos)

7. Shade (Medium): amount of shade, accounting for different times of day.

1 No shade

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4 Shade can be improved as the trees age (see photo 5)

5 Full shade

Sum of High importance (1-3): $\underline{13} \times 40 = \underline{520}$

Sum of Medium importance (4-7): $\underline{13} \times 20 = \underline{260}$

Total Score: $\underline{780} / 100 = 78$

Observations

1. What is the most dangerous location along this segment?

Nearby busy traffic on Orange Ave and Rosalind can present a problem for pedestrians trying to cross and not paying attention.

2. What is the most unpleasant and pleasant element of this segment?

Depending on the time of day the sun can be brutally hot along parts of this route. However this area is truly the heart of Orlando filled with hustle and bustle that make it a vibrant city.

3. What improvements would make this segment more appropriate for pedestrian use?

This is the type of walkable environment which should be duplicated across dense central Florida urban areas. Better bus service and 24 hour stores and restaurants would improve Orlando's chances of becoming a welcoming city to a diverse population base.