

CITY OF TALLAHASSEE

CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED ON:	January 26, 2005
SUBJECT/TITLE:	Proposed Amendments to the Canopy Roads Citizen Committee Bylaws to Extend Term Limits
TARGET ISSUE:	N/A

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

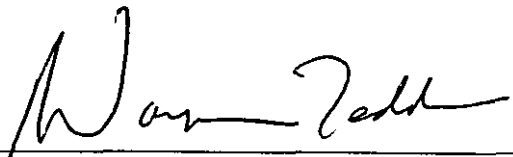
This agenda item seeks an amendment to the Canopy Roads Citizen Committee Bylaws to extend term limits from a maximum of two two-year terms to two three-year terms. The Bylaws, as amended, are provided with revisions shown in legislative (strike/add) format as Attachment #1. It is intended for this provision to apply to committee members currently serving. This request is being made on behalf of the full Canopy Roads Citizen Advisory Committee. A list of the Committee members and their terms is included as Attachment #2.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

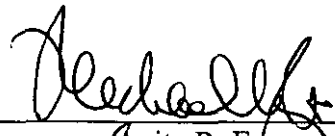
Option 1: Approve the amendments to the Canopy Road Citizen Committee Bylaws and make the term limits retroactive to current members.

FISCAL IMPACT

None anticipated.



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ITEM TITLE:

Proposed Amendments to the Canopy Roads Citizen Committee Bylaws to Extend Terms to 3 Years

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL/ISSUE ANALYSIS

HISTORY/FACTS & ISSUES

The Canopy Roads Citizen Committee was created by the City and County Commissions in 1991 to assist in coordinating the efforts of government, private sector, civic groups and individuals in an effort to protect, maintain, enhance and where applicable, re-evaluate canopy roads. They were subsequently made a standing committee by both commissions in January 1993, and associated bylaws were adopted at that time.

The members are currently limited to two two-year terms. The proposed amendment would extend the term to three years. It is intended for this provision to apply retroactively to committee members currently serving. A list of the Committee members and their terms is included as Attachment #2.

The term of the Chair of the Committee, Ron Davis, expired in August 2004. Mr. Davis has continued to serve because a replacement has not yet been named, and this amendment proposes to extend his term to August 2006. The term of Stan Chapman expired in August 2003, who has also continued to serve because a replacement member with similar historic preservation knowledge has not yet been identified. This amendment proposes to extend his term to August 2005, as well.

The Committee is in the process of reviewing policy issues related to the long-term viability of the Canopy Road system, and the two-year time limit is proving problematic in that members are required to leave just as they are gaining the experience necessary to provide meaningful input.

The change to three years is consistent with terms for other citizen committees. Members of the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Commission serve three-year terms, as do members of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

Amendments to the Bylaws require action by both the City Commission and the Board of County Commissioners. The Board is scheduled to take action on this request on January 25, 2005.

OPTIONS

1. Approve the amendments to the Canopy Road Citizen Committee Bylaws and make the term limits retroactive to current members.
2. Do not approve the amendments to the Canopy Road Citizen Committee Bylaws
3. Commission direction.

ATTACHMENTS/REFERENCES

1. Canopy Road Citizen Committee Bylaws, with proposed amendments shown in legislative (strike/add) format.
2. Canopy Road Citizen Committee list