

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In 2017, the City of Pompano Beach rezoned 279 acres to the north and south of East Atlantic Boulevard to the Transit Oriented East Overlay District. The intent of the ETOC land use and zoning district was to encourage transit oriented development which generally includes structured parking lined mixed use projects, located along pedestrian and bicycle friendly complete streets. The result of this rezoning effort was immediately successful, and the City has since approved four major mixed-use developments within this district, three of which are on East Atlantic Boulevard.

The City concurrently adopted a form-based code, which included a series of regulating plans. The Street Regulating Plan adopted for East Atlantic Boulevard included a street section that incorporated the desired Complete Streets elements. As private development was proposed along Atlantic Boulevard, the City learned that private developers could not easily construct the desired streetscape in front of their developments without realigning the curb lines, lane widths, and modifying the overall widths of the entire right-of-way.

The City is preparing to take the lead with the design and construction of East Atlantic Boulevard, this portion of which is LOS F. The project includes milling and surfacing of the road, reconfiguring lane widths and median, sidewalks, a bike lane, crosswalks, lighting upgrades, landscaping, drainage, and on-street parking. The intent is to enhance multi-modal mobility and accessibility, improve resiliency, reduce overall traffic congestion, while also improving safety by reducing vehicle, pedestrian and bike crashes. The improvements will also maintain the functionality of this important evacuation route.