



Florida League of Cities Center for Municipal Research & Innovation

MiniSurvey Series – Honorary Transportation Facility Designations

The Center for Municipal Research & Innovation conducted a survey of the 412 municipalities in Florida to determine how municipalities handle honorary transportation facility designations. The survey was conducted electronically from August 26 – September 28, 2016 with a response rate of 45% or 186 cities.

Florida Statutes 334.071 states that, when the Legislature designates a transportation facility "for honorary or memorial purposes," such a designation does not "require any action by a local government or private party regarding the changing of any street signs, mailing address or 9-1-1 emergency telephone number listing" unless the designation act specifically calls for such action. The statute adds that "Erection of markers must be contingent on the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary designation. If the bridge or road segment being designated is located in more than one city or county, resolutions supporting the designation must be passed by each affected local government prior to the erection of the markers."

Key Take-Aways

Of municipalities who responded:

- **20% of cities install honorary designations for municipally owned/managed transportation facilities (i.e. road, bridge).**
 - More than 60% of these cities have a formal or informal policy in place for the nomination, approval or installation of such honorary designations.
- **7% of cities have a formal or informal policy in place for the approval or installation of honorary transportation facility designations enacted by the state Legislature.**

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**Surveys are completed by members of each individual municipality and the FLC staff does not verify or cross-reference responses with other sources.*