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LISTINGS OF MIAMI CITY PROPERTY,
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Rooms 1 and 2, Real Estate Building

MIAMI, FLA.

May 21, 1917

Board of County Commissioners.,

Miami, Florida.

Honorable Sirs:

Under date of April 3rd, 1917, I addressed a communication to you and attached a proposition which was accepted by your Honorable Body, and was made of record on the Minutes of the Records of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Dade County, Florida, Minute Book "F", Page 472,--a copy of which is hereto attached.

I beg to further advise that under date of May 2nd, I noted an article in the Miami Metropolis as follows:-

"Commissioner Julius Smith of the third District, had taken the trouble to talk the matter over with B.H. Klyce, who, with his partner, W.J. Kockley, is retained by the County on the causeway proposition, and according to the figures as they worked them out the county would have no 40 feet to give away. In fact, they came to the conclusion that the county could well use practically the entire right of way for the highway and the canal! The commissioners decided that they wanted room left on either side of the highway for the planting of trees, and for telephone and telegraph lines. They do not want the telephone poles and trees on the same line, as the trees interfere with the telephone wires, and then the telephone linemen mutilate the trees. The grade which the contractor of the Tamiami Trail is making is about 26 feet wide. The side slopes take up about six feet on either side, making 38 feet. The canal is about 30 feet wide, more in some places, making 68 feet. Then a suitable berm, or horizontal piece of ground must be left between the canal and the highway grade. Six feet more taken for this purpose makes 74 feet, and the commissioners think that the other

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24 feet, 12 on either side, is needed for planting of trees, and the setting of telephone and telegraph poles."

I beg to attach excerpt from specifications in your contract with the J.B. McCrary Company, for the construction of the Tamiami Trail.

You will note that as usual the exact figures do not work out with the figures of the engineers quoted--ie: According to the Specifications, the center line of the road as above described SHALL be 25 feet N. of the South line of the 100 ft. Right of Way.

I am also attaching copy of letter from Mr. Charles E. Hill of the Miami Motor Club, suggesting certain measurements, dimensions and plans for the setting of trees etc. etc. on the Tamiami Trail. The plan as worked out by Mr. Hill is very commendable, but the plan suggested by Messrs Klyce and Kackly does not harmonize with Mr. Hill's plan, nor with the specifications of your Board with the J.B. McCrary Company for the construction of the Tamiami Trail.

I simply wish to place myself on record as being opposed to this guess work method of criticism, plan or whatever you may choose to call it.

We all know that our public works cost the tax payers enough for contracts, with the work and specifications carefully drawn, and that no one has the right to assume specifications or as they would like them to be, but they must adhere to the specifications themselves.

I would also like to inquire if these engineers are employed to supervise the construction of the Cause Way? If so, I think the matter of specifications could be a subject for inquiry by your Board and the tax payers before the work actually begins.

My communication of April 3rd. was addressed to you as a matter of courtesy, and I wish to thank

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MIAMI, FLA.,

you for your action in adopting the resolutions
submitted by me and my associates.

I beg to attach application for Charter
for the Tamiami Railway Company, a copy of which
is on file with the Secretary of State and our
application for Charter and Letters Patent will
be made to the Governor of Florida on June 11th.
1917.

Very respectfully,

JFJ/NH

Excerpt from Specifications from contract with J.B. McCrary Co.

TAMIAMI TRAIL.

" LOCATION OF WORK. Commencing at the North-West (NW) Corner of the North-east Quarter ($NE\frac{1}{4}$) of the North-west Quarter ($NW\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Eleven (11), Township Fifty-four (54) South, Range Forty (40), thence run Westerly to the North West corner of Section Eleven (11), Township Fifty-four (54) South, Range Thirty-six (36) East. Thence continueing in a direct line North-westerly to the North West corner of Section Nineteen (19) Township Fifty-three (53) South, Range (Thirty-five East. (35) The center line of road as above described SHALL be north of the south line of the 100 foot Right of Way.

SPUR ROADS, or turnouts at every mile station or at such intervals as may be designated by engineer in charge. A seventeen foot spur road shall shall be constructed, location of said spur road to be designated by engineer in charge and constructed on south side of roadway.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS. In constructing said roadway, as above described the contractor shall have the right to obtain earth or rock from fills from any place within the Right of Way. Provided, however, that any excavation for earth along said right of way shall be done in such a way as to leave a berm of five feet," (no more, no less) "between roadway and such excavation, with the understanding that the contractor maintain as near as practicable uniform width and depth of excavation"