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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Capital Projects

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DATE: March 20, 2018

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of Denton, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Local Transportation Project Advance Funding Agreement (LPAFA) for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Project (construction of sidewalks for the Wilson and Pecan Creek Elementary School areas) with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for receiving federal and state funding of \$401,623, with a local match of \$100,284, for a total project cost of \$501,907; authorizing the expenditure of funds; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

In April 2015, City Council at the time had approved an ordinance to execute a previous version of this agreement between the City and TxDOT to construct sidewalks for the Wilson and Pecan Creek Elementary School areas. Subsequently, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) changed the project schedule and moved the funding from Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 to FY2018 as they had overcommitted the CMAQ funding for FY2015.

Pursuant to requests by the Denton Independent School District (DISD) and the City of Denton, the NCTCOG made changes to the Denton County Transportation Improvements Plan (TIP) in late 2012 to provide Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program funding for sidewalks in the area of Wilson Elementary and Pecan Creek Elementary Schools in the TxDOT 2015 Work Program. Due to over commitment of CMAQ funds for FY2015 the funding for this project was moved to FY2018. TxDOT has recently provided a revised LPAFA to the City for execution (the City will be required to advance fund the entire project and be reimbursed upon completion and application for reimbursement of the federal funding share).

A local match of \$100,284 is required for the federal funding of \$376,896 and state funding of \$24,727 (total of \$501,907). After execution of the LPAFA by TxDOT, the City will need to perform an environmental review, secure a land surveyor to perform design surveying for the project, design the project inhouse, secure a construction contractor, and construct the project; all under federal requirements. These activities will require approximately 2 years.

OPTIONS

1. Approve the Local Project Advance Funding Agreement, accepting the \$401,623 of federal and state funding, with a local match of \$100,284, for the sidewalk project (total of \$501,907) and agreeing to follow state and federal requirements for delivery of the project.
2. Decline to approve the Local Project Advance Funding Agreement, rejecting the federal and state funding for the sidewalk project, and possibly fund the entire project with local funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1 - Staff recommends the Council authorize the City Manager to enter into the Local Project Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT, with the City funding the required local match of \$100,284 from the 2014 Bond Program Miscellaneous Sidewalk Program, and authorize staff to proceed with design, right-of-way acquisition and construction of the project.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

Approximately two years for environmental assessment, design, right-of-way acquisition and construction, in accordance with federal and state requirements.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

The Mobility Committee and the Traffic Safety Committee were briefed on the status of this project at a joint meeting in September 2014; neither body had any objections to pursuing the project in the manner described.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Execution of the LPAFA would require a local match of \$100,284 from the City of Denton, which is proposed to be funded from the 2014 Bond Program Miscellaneous Sidewalk Program (funded at \$2,000,000).

STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: **Public Infrastructure**
Related Goal: **2.2 Enhance connectivity and seek solutions to improve mobility**

EXHIBITS

1. AIS
2. Location Map
3. Ordinance and Agreement

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