

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 20AVONDALE HASLET ROAD RESCOPE

SUBJECT

(CD 7) Revise Scope of Avondale Haslet Road Improvements Project within the 2018 Bond Program and Update the FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan (2018 Bond Program)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council revise the scope of the Avondale Haslet Road project (City Project No. 101014) within the 2018 Bond Program to provide for expansion of the roadway right-of-way.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to take actions to revise the scope of the Avondale Haslet Road Improvements project from that which was described in the 2018 Bond booklet. The process consists of two steps: re-scope the Avondale Haslet Road Improvements project to reflect the change in scope and update the Fiscal Year 2020-2024 Capital Improvements Plan.

The 2018 Bond Program, approved by the voters, included funding for a project for Avondale Haslet Road. The Bond booklet that was distributed prior to the election described this specific project as "construct new roundabouts at Willow Springs Road and Sendera Ranch Blvd with associated infrastructure, rehabilitate existing travel lanes, and widen to include center turn lane" with limits noted as being from Willow Creek Dr. to eastern City limit.

Design of this project was included in the approved and expanded engineering contracts authorized by M&C C-28764, June 26, 2018. The project was re-scoped to include signalized intersections instead of roundabouts as authorized by M&C 19-0061, August 20, 2019. Since then, staff has initiated discussions with North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to evaluate the option of requesting federal funds to aid in the construction of a four-lane corridor over the limits noted in the 2018 Bond booklet. The City's Master Thoroughfare Plan (MTP) designates the road as a four-lane divided corridor.

This project is included in the 2018 Bond Program. Available resources within the General Fund will be used to provide interim financing until debt is issued. Once debt associated with the project is sold, bond proceeds will reimburse the General Fund in accordance with the statement expressing official Intent to Reimburse that was adopted as part of the ordinance canvassing the bond election (Ordinance No. 23209-05-2018) and subsequent actions taken by the Mayor and Council.

Staff recommends the project be re-scoped to provide for replacement, rather than rehabilitation and widening, of the existing traffic lanes to align with the MTP and to improve regional connectivity.

In adopting the recommendation, the City Council would be finding that the revised scope of the project - consisting of design and construction of a replacement four-lane roadway - is within the voted purpose of the bonds as approved by the voters at the 2018 bond election.

The preliminary cost estimate for constructing the four-lane typical section is \$43,550,000.00. Federal funding will be sought separately for the construction phase of Avondale Haslet Road.

The following table demonstrates the funding history for the project:

Fund	Existing Funding	Project Total
2018 Bond Program - 34018	\$12,080,000.00	\$12,080,000.00
Tax Note 2017 - 34017	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
Project Total:	\$12,580,000.00	\$12,580,000.00

Funding for this project was included in the FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$12,580,000.00. An estimated amount of \$30,970,000.00 will be requested for federal funding to complete the scope of the project. The action in this M&C will update the FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan.

The project is in COUNCIL DISTRICT 7.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of this recommendation will have no material effect on City funds.

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