

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 202018 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL AFA 0902-90-082

SUBJECT

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation in the Amount of \$5,393,447.00 with Federal Funds in the Amount of \$1,529,155.00, State Participation in the Amount of \$221,885.00, Required City Participation in the Amount of \$382,289.00 and Additional City Contribution in the Amount of \$3,260,118.00 for Safe Routes to School Project Improvements Around the Bonnie Brae, W.J. Turner and Diamond Hill Elementary School Campuses, Update the FY2020-2024 CIP, Authorize Acceptance of Federal Funds in the Amount of \$1,529,155.00 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinances (COUNCIL DISTRICTS 2 and 4)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept federal funds in the amount of \$1,529,155.00 through the Texas Department of Transportation;
2. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$5,393,447.00 with Federal Funds in the amount of \$1,529,155.00, State participation in the amount of \$221,885.00, required City participation in the amount of \$382,289.00 and additional City contribution in the amount of \$3,260,118.00 for the construction of Safe Routes to School Project Improvements around the Bonnie Brae, W.J. Turner and Diamond Hill Elementary School Campuses;
3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Cap Projects Federal Fund in the amount of \$1,911,444.00 for the 2018 Safe Routes to School project (City Project No. 101264);
4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing appropriations in the 2018 Safe Routes to School Project in the amount of \$2,447,407.00 from available funds in the 2018 Bond Program Fund Sidewalks/Bicycle Lanes programmable project (City Project No. PB0002); and
5. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing appropriations in the 2018 Safe Routes to School Project in the Amount of \$545,000.00 from available funds in the 2018 Bond Program Fund Neighborhood/School Safety programmable project (City Project No. PB0007).

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this M&C is to authorize acceptance of federal funds in the amount of \$1,529,155.00, through the Texas Department of Transportation for Safe Routes to School improvements within an approximate quarter mile radius around the Bonnie Brae, W.J. Turner and Diamond Hill Elementary School Campuses within Fort Worth ISD (FWISD), to adopt a Resolution authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with TxDOT and to appropriate funds for construction of the project improvements, including sidewalks, curb ramps, driveways, signs, pavement markings, and associated retaining walls, curb and gutters around the Bonnie Brae, W.J. Turner and Diamond Hill Elementary School Campuses.

On December 12, 2016, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) opened the 2017 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set-Aside) Program call for projects. The TA Set-Aside program provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives. The Federal and State funds are provided on a cost reimbursement basis after the work has been accomplished.

On June 8, 2017, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) of the NCTCOG approved 34 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside projects for funding including the Bonnie Brae, W.J. Turner and Diamond Hill Elementary School Campuses. These three school campuses were awarded federal funding in the amount of \$1,529,155.00.

On December 12, 2017, the City of Fort Worth approved funding for the engineering design of this project in the amount of \$650,000 with M&C C-28506. On August 20, 2019, the City of Fort Worth approved amendment No. 1 to the design contract in the amount of \$170,000.

The three school campuses are combined into one project for the purpose of the Advance Funding Agreement. TxDOT grouped the projects this way because of location. The project is currently under design and is 90% complete. The project is scheduled to be advertised for construction in July of 2020. The federal funds associated with this Advanced Funding Agreement will be used for construction of the project.

Funding for this project was included in the FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan for year two. Accelerated funding is needed for this project due to an accelerated project timeline. The action in this M&C will amend the FY2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan.

This Safe Routes to School project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICTS 2 and 4.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: TxDOT

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Cap Projects Federal Fund and in the 2018 Bond Program Fund. The Transportation & Public Works Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Transportation & Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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