



Meeting Date: April 18, 2016

Report No. CC-16-43

Agenda Item No. 10-C

Status: General Orders

Purpose: This report is to provide information to the City Council regarding a Resolution of Support for an ODOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) application associated with the 6th and Perkins Intersection project PWOF01. The application consists of 2.6 miles of improved sidewalks in a loop that connects Stillwater neighborhoods and citizens with critical services, job opportunities, and shopping. The City of Stillwater's application was submitted prior to the deadline of March 30, 2016 and has made it through the first level of review. ODOT is scheduling visits this month to communities for the second level of review.

Background Summary: The City of Stillwater Transportation and Stormwater Services Department is requesting support from City Council for an application to ODOT's Transportation Alternatives Program for sidewalk improvements; the project name is the 6th and Perkins Pedestrian Detour.

From February to September of 2017, pedestrians will typically have no safe access through the 6th and Perkins intersection due to construction activities by ODOT to improve the intersection and bridges over Boomer Creek. The City has provided and is still providing design services for this project PWOF01 through a contracted engineering firm, ROW acquisition, and utility relocation. The need exists for safe pedestrian access around this intersection during the construction period and in general for safe ADA pedestrian routes around Stillwater for both work and leisure/health.

In February 2016, ODOT requested that the City of Stillwater provide the pedestrian detour route for the PWOF01 project in order for ODOT to be able to complete intersection construction prior to OSU football season. This grant is one possible source of funding and very timely with the extensions ODOT allowed for applications from January 30 to March 30. To be helpful during the intersection construction period, the sidewalk and crossing improvements will need to take place this summer and fall of 2016.

Federal funds provide for an 80-20 match with in-kind not an allowed match component. The City of Stillwater, through Transportation funds under the guidance of the Multi-Modal Transportation Policy, will likely provide the 20% match for the program when awarded. The City of Stillwater would also be responsible for routine and preventative maintenance of new facilities and old facilities, all within the public right-of-way.

Budget Impact: The match is estimated at \$90,156 for the City of Stillwater. The 80% potential funding from the TAP with the current application would be \$360,624. The total construction cost estimate is \$450,780.

Prior Council Action or Part of an Approved Project: Yes
round 1, and Cost Estimate

Related Items: TAP grant application

Alternatives: The City Council may choose to:

1. Approve the Resolution of Support. This allows the City of Stillwater to complete the application for TAP funds and continue to support ODOT's request for pedestrian detour assistance. The funding request for the 20% match would be a future City Council action item, should the City be awarded the TAP funding.
2. Do not approve the Resolution of Support. Lack of approval will halt the City of Stillwater's application for TAP funds. Other funding sources would need to be sought quickly, or the improvements would need to be completed with City field services crews and City funding.

Recommendation: Staff recommends Alternative 1.

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