



## Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: January 30, 2024

James Brown Blvd. (Twiggs St. to Laney Walker Blvd.) PHIII Improvements

Construction Agreement

GDOT PI # 0013707

File Reference: 23 – 014(A)

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<b>Department:</b>	Engineering & Environmental Services
<b>Presenter:</b>	Dr. Hameed Malik, Director
<b>Caption:</b>	Motion to approve entering into Construction Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for James Brown Blvd. (Twiggs to Laney Walker Blvd.) Improvements Project (PI #0013707). Also authorize Augusta Mayor and Clerk of Commission to execute Construction Agreement and its associated documents (electronic and hard copy). Requested by Engineering.
<b>Background:</b>	The Project is phase 3 of James Brown Blvd. Streetscaping improvements Project. The Project is listed in the Augusta Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) TIP. The Project cost is partially paid by FHAW federal funds as cost sharing project. The purpose of Phase III is to repair delinquent sidewalk and streetscape features along James Brown Boulevard from Twiggs Street to Laney Walker Boulevard. Alternatively, this project will bring the deficient pedestrian facilities within the project boundary into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and also serve to beautify and create a consistent façade for the James Brown Boulevard corridor. Project is ready for construction and in letting now.
<b>Analysis:</b>	Project being let by Augusta and received bids are under review by GDOT, GDOT will release Construction NTP soon after execution of subject Construction agreement (Agreement). Execution of the Agreement is time sensitive to avoid construction schedule drift causing redoing letting that may result in cost escalation that Augusta will be responsible to pay. The Agreement allows GDOT federal funding assistance to complete subject improvements.
<b>Financial Impact:</b>	Upon execution of Construction Agreement, Federal funds in amount of \$339,648.00 (with possible increase to \$970,652) will become available for the project improvements.
<b>Alternatives:</b>	Do not approve and abandon the project.

**Recommendation:** Motion to approve entering into Construction Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for James Brown Blvd. (Twiggs to Laney Walker Blvd.) Improvements Project (PI #0013707). Also authorize Augusta Mayor and Clerk of Commission to execute Construction Agreement and its associated documents (electronic and hard copy). Requested by Engineering

**Funds are available in the following accounts:** N/A

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:** HM/SR