
City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

FROM: Eric Oscarson, Director of Public Works

MEETING: May 15, 2023

SUBJECT:

Consider approval of a resolution authorizing an agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Burleson for contributions of right-of-way funds for FM 917 road and bridge improvements not to exceed \$106,900. (*Staff Presenter: Eric Oscarson, Director of Public Works*)

SUMMARY:

FM 917 is a TxDOT roadway that runs along the southern border of the city and extraterritorial jurisdiction. TxDOT is moving forward with a project at the intersection of FM 917 and I-35W that will expand the existing bridge from two lanes to 6 lanes and add additional bridges for U-turns. Side paths will be added to the bridge on both sides, as well. The alignment of the I-35W frontages will be realigned, reconstructed, and expanded at the intersection. FM 917 will be widened, and a median will be added for the section being reconstructed.

TxDOT will be moving forward with fully funding the design and construction of the roadway at an estimated cost of \$31,000,000. As part of their design and construction, the city is responsible for a 10% cost share of the right-of-way acquisition necessary for the construction of the project. As part of this agreement, TxDOT makes an assumption of the costs necessary to acquire the right-of-way and calculates 10% for the city to contribute. The assumed cost of right-of-way acquisition by TxDOT is \$1,069,000 and the city's portion would be \$106,900. Alternatively, the City Council could elect to not authorize the agreement and pay 10% of the actual property acquisition costs after the rights of way are acquired. Historically, TxDOT has underestimated the actual costs to acquire, and the better option is to contribute the upfront fixed costs.

Besides this contribution, the remaining costs of design and construction would be funded by TxDOT. The project is expected to be let in FY26 with an estimated construction completion date in FY28.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the resolution authorizing an agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Burleson for contributions of right-of-way funds for the FM 917 road and bridge improvements not to exceed \$106,900.
- 2) Deny the resolution authorizing an agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Burleson for contributions of right-of-way funds for the FM 917 road and bridge improvements not to exceed \$106,900.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the resolution authorizing an agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Burleson for contributions of right-of-way funds for the FM 917 road and bridge improvements not to exceed \$106,900.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

Project: ST2310

Budget Impact: \$106,900

Funding Source: Street and Drainage Bond Fund (Non-GO)

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