

City of Burnet City Council



Item Brief

Meeting Date

June 10, 2025

Agenda Item

Discuss and consider action: Resolution No. R2025-45: K. McBurnett

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, SELECTING FOURTH STREET AS THE DESIGNATED LOCATION FOR THE PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER NORTH U.S. HIGHWAY 281 IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING (CPF) GRANT AWARDED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Information

As part of the HUD-administered Community Project Funding (CPF) grant awarded in 2024, the City of Burnet is preparing for the construction of a pedestrian bridge to improve safety for students and community members crossing North U.S. Highway 281. The \$5,035,425 grant requires the City to finalize the project location prior to submitting the grant agreement and beginning environmental review and design activities.

To determine the most suitable location for the bridge, the City held a public meeting on May 29, 2025, to gather feedback on preferred crossing sites. Input was also solicited from Burnet CISD, and City staff conducted a thorough evaluation of each street between Third Street and Seventh Street. Based on this input and analysis, Fourth Street emerged as the most viable option due to its alignment with school access, fewer land use conflicts, and strong community and school district support.

Fiscal Impact

All expenses related to the design and construction of the pedestrian bridge are anticipated to be covered by the \$5,035,425 CPF grant.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Resolution R2025-45 as presented.

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WHEREAS, the City of Burnet has been awarded a \$5,035,425 Community Project Funding (CPF) grant administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the construction of a pedestrian bridge across North U.S. Highway 281; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the pedestrian bridge is to enhance safety and accessibility for students and community members crossing the highway; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires the City to finalize the location of the pedestrian bridge prior to the submission of the grant agreement and the commencement of environmental review and design activities; and

WHEREAS, the City held a public meeting on May 29, 2025, to solicit community input on potential crossing locations, and also received feedback from Burnet Consolidated Independent School District (Burnet CISD); and

WHEREAS, City staff conducted an evaluation of crossing options from Third Street through Seventh Street, assessing land use compatibility, proximity to school facilities, and overall feasibility; and

WHEREAS, based on community input, school district feedback, and staff analysis, Fourth Street has been identified as the most viable and appropriate location for the proposed pedestrian bridge due to its alignment with school access points, minimal land use conflicts, and strong support from stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Findings. The recitals set out above are hereby approved and incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section Two. Approval. The City Council hereby selects Fourth Street as the official location for the construction of the pedestrian bridge over North U.S. Highway 281 in connection with the 2024 HUD CPF grant.

Section Three. Authorization. The City Manager is authorized and directed to take those

actions that are reasonably necessary to facilitate the purpose of this Resolution.

Section Four. Open Meetings. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution was passed was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section Five. Effective Date. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and approval as prescribed by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 10th day of June 2025.

CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS

Gary Wideman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria Gonzales, City Secretary