

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Road Improvement, Safety and Alternative Transportation Projects
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the pre-construction requirements for Road Improvement, Safety, and Alternative Transportation Projects funded through the Other Local Option Sales Tax (OLOST), Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST), TSPLOST Discretionary Funds, State of Georgia, Department of Transportation Z230 funds, and the Paving Fund to include right of way acquisition and agreements, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.
INITIATED BY:	City Manager's Office

Recommendation: Approval is requested to proceed with executing and funding the pre-construction requirements for Road Improvement, Safety, and Alternative Transportation Projects funded through the Other Local Option Sales Tax (OLOST), Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST), TSPLOST Discretionary Funds, State of Georgia, Department of Transportation Z230 funds, and the Paving Fund to include right of way acquisition and agreements, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

Background: The following list of road improvement, safety and alternative transportation projects have been identified, budget estimates provided, and funded through the OLOST, TSPLOST Discretionary, Paving Fund or GDOT Z230:

Spiderweb/Bull Creek Bridge TSPLOST Project
I-185/Cusseta Road TSPLOST Project
Military Drive
J. R. Allen/River Road Lighting and Signals
30th Ave / Victory Drive Signal
10th Ave / Victory Drive Signal
Dragonfly Connection / MLK Jr. Blvd. to the River
Warm Springs Road Bridge

Analysis: The completion of the pre-construction activities for road improvements, safety, and alternative transportation projects is required prior to the project being authorized for competitive bids.

Financial Considerations: Funding for said projects will be funded with the OLOST, TSPLOST Discretionary, GDOT Z230, or the Paving Fund.

Legal Considerations: The City Attorney approves this resolution.

Recommendations/Actions: Approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to proceed with executing and funding the pre-construction requirements for Road Improvement, Safety, and Alternative Transportation Projects funded through the Other Local Option Sales Tax (OLOST), Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST), TSPLOST Discretionary Funds, State of Georgia, Department of Transportation Z230 funds, and the Paving Fund to include right of way acquisition and agreements, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation and other necessary agreements to prepare projects for construction.

A RESOLUTION

No. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH EXECUTING AND FUNDING THE PRE-CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT, SAFETY, AND ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH THE OTHER LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (OLOST), TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (TSPLOST), TSPLOST DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, OR STATE OF GEORGIA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Z230, AND PAVING FUND TO INCLUDE RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION AND AGREEMENTS, PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENTS, UTILITY RELOCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION AND OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO PREPARE THE PROJECTS FOR CONSTRUCTION.

WHEREAS, the completion of pre-construction activities for road improvement projects is required prior to the project being authorized for competitive bid; and,

WHEREAS, these activities include but not limited to right of way acquisition, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, and environmental mitigation; and

WHEREAS, the following list of road improvement, safety and alternative transportation projects have been identified, budget estimates provided, and funded through OLOST, TSPLOST Discretionary, GDOT Z230 funds, and the Paving Fund,

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WHEREAS, funding for pre-construction and construction services for the above projects is available through the OLOST, SPLOST, TSPLOST, TSPLOST Discretionary, GDOT Z230, and the Paving Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to proceed with the executing and funding the pre-construction requirements for the road improvement, safety and alternative transportation projects funded through OLOST, TSPLOST, TSPLOST Discretionary, GDOT Z230 and Paving Fund as identified above to include right of way acquisition and agreements, permanent and temporary construction easements, utility relocation, environmental mitigation and other necessary agreements to prepare the projects for construction.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the _____ day of _____, 2021 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said council.

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor House voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas voting _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.
Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor