



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST AND STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** December 21, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Funding Contribution Agreement with ODOT for the US 20/Locust Project

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of Board signature of Document No. 2022-984, a Funding Contribution Agreement with ODOT for improvements to US 20 at Locust Street.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

In July 2021, Deschutes County submitted a letter of support and pledged a \$1,000,000 match contribution in support of the City of Sisters' federal Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Application to construct a roundabout at the US 20/Locust Street intersection. While the application was ultimately unsuccessful, the City and ODOT continued to explore funding opportunities. ODOT has recently pledged sufficient Enhance Program funding that will close the gap between funding pledged by the City of Sisters and Deschutes County to supplant the need for additional grant funding and allow the project to proceed.

Capacity, access and safety issues on the east side of Sisters have historically been exacerbated by rural county development in the Camp Polk/Wilt Road corridor. In addition to addressing significant transportation needs within Sisters, the roundabout improvements will serve the County's collector road users with a safe connection to US 20 via Locust Avenue. ODOT is currently in the project development stage and is targeting construction in 2024.

The attached Funding Contribution Agreement (DC 2022-984) contains a graphic of the Project and outlines the requirements and stipulations of each agency – of which the \$1,000,000 contribution is the only requirement of Deschutes County. The County contribution will supplement the \$5,000,000 from ODOT and the \$1,250,000 contribution from the City of Sisters.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

This agreement stipulates a \$1,000,000 payment from Deschutes County in FY24. The County obligation will be budgeted in the FY 24 Road Department Budget via the 465 Fund

(CIP).

**ATTENDANCE:**

Chris Doty, Road Department  
Bob Townsend, ODOT