

STAFF REPORT

City of Dripping Springs

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Submitted By: Aaron Reed, Public Works Coordinator

Council Meeting Date: 05/18/2021

Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the **Agenda Item Wording:**

City of Dripping Springs Texas, authorizing the submission of a nomination for funding from the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the 2021 Transportation Alternatives

Program.

Agenda Item Requestor:

Summary/Background: In February 2021, City staff prepared a preliminary application for the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program to construct pedestrian improvements along RR-12 and Event Center Drive from the Founders Ridge subdivision to the DSISD Elementary School, Dripping Springs Ranch Park and the Harrison Hills subdivision. These improvements would offer access to the elementary school, residential subdivisions, and Ranch Park. The improvements are shown on the City Wide Trail. The preliminary application was deemed eligible for federal funding with a 20% local match. The estimated cost for this project from the preliminary application is \$517,000.67. The City's obligation would be \$103,400.13. This cost could potentially change as the detailed application and cost estimate are completed. There is a significant cost savings in the application process since City staff is working directly with our transportation engineer eliminating the need for a consultant grant writer.

Commission Recommendations:

Recommended **Council Actions:** City staff recommends approval.

Attachments:

Send to City Secretary for execution. Submit detailed application to TxDOT on June 14, 2021. **Next Steps/Schedule:**