

## **Staff Report**

**Subject:** Approval of Lighting Agreements for Various Infrastructure Projects

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**Department:** Procurement

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**Item Description:** Consideration for approval of Intergovernmental Lighting Agreements with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for various projects.

**Summary Recommendation:** Staff recommends authorization to enter into the Intergovernmental Lighting Agreements with GDOT for the identified projects.

### **Executive Summary/Background:**

Effingham County and GDOT have collaborated on lighting agreements to enhance safety and visibility at key intersections. GDOT will design and install the lighting systems as part of ongoing roadway projects, while Effingham County will be responsible for operation, maintenance, and energy costs.

### **Details of the Agreements:**

1. SR 30 @ Kolic Helmey Road (P.I. No. 0020095)
2. SR 17 @ Marlow Road/Wesley Drive (P.I. No. 0019612)
3. SR 26/US 80 @ Sandhill Road (P.I. No. 0019658)

GDOT funds and installs the lighting systems under their respective project numbers.

Effingham County assumes long-term responsibilities, including energy costs and repairs, ensuring compliance with the Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act.

Each agreement will remain in effect for 50 years, with provisions for cost recovery if the County fails to meet its obligations.

### **Alternatives for Commission to Consider**

1. Approve the Intergovernmental Lighting Agreements as presented.
2. Take no action

**Recommended Alternative:** 1

**Other Alternatives:** 2

**Department Review:** Procurement/CP, County Manager, Project Personnel

**Funding Source:** SPLOST/Water Bonds

**Attachments:** GDOT letter, Lighting Agreements (1-3)