

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



STAFF

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 024, 2025, Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations from the Laporte Avenue Bridges Project to the Laporte Avenue Multimodal Improvements Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to transfer funding from the Laporte Avenue Bridges project (Bridges) to the Laporte Avenue Multimodal Improvements project (Project). If approved this item will transfer the remaining \$165,075 from the Bridges to the Project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The Laporte Avenue projects are developed in three phases: 1) the Bridges and roadway work between Taft Hill Road and Frey Avenue (Bridges), 2) installation of pedestrian and bicycle side paths between Frey Avenue and Fishback Avenue (East Project), and 3) installation of pedestrian and bicycle side paths between Sunset Street and Taft Hill Road (West Project). (Attachment 2) The initial Bridges phase of this work was completed in 2023 and replaced two aging bridges in the corridor. The East Project began in May of 2024 and was completed later in August. The West Project began in November of 2024 and will be completed in June of 2025.

Staff brought a request for a supplemental appropriation before Council Finance Committee and Council in August and September 2024 to fully fund the remaining construction of the West Project. The request was approved. Due to a delay in closing out consulting and construction contracts for the Bridges, staff was unable to transfer an amount of \$165,075 of the projected \$517,000 before the end of fiscal year 2024. The Bridges contracts are now closed out and the final reappropriation to the Project is ready to execute. The original reappropriation from the Bridges was passed on consent under Ordinance No. 118, 2024. (Attachment 3) Required transfers to Art in Public Places were made at that time.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The following is a summary of the funding anticipated for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction for the Laporte Avenue Multimodal Improvement project.

Prior Appropriated Funds	
Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Funds	\$ 3,250,000
Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Funds (MMOF) Grant	\$ 250,000
Revitalizing Mainstreets (RMS) Grant Funds	\$ 1,437,500
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Grant Funds	\$ 49,500
Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF) Funds	\$ 949,284
Transportation Services Fund Reserves	\$ 176,766
Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP) Bicycle Program	\$ 122,727
Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP) Pedestrian Program	\$ 402,273
General Fund Reserves	\$ 225,000
Reappropriation from Bridges Project to Multimodal Improvements Project	\$ 305,247
Total Prior Appropriation	\$ 7,168,297

Funds to be Reappropriated per this Action	
Reappropriation from Bridges Project to Multimodal Improvements Project	\$ 165,075
Total Funds to be Reappropriated per this Action	\$ 165,075
Total Project Funds	\$ 7,333,372

The total fund amount projected for this Project is \$7,333,372 composed of funds appropriated with prior actions and with this action.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The proposed appropriation was brought before the Council Finance Committee at their August 1, 2024, meeting. The committee supported an off-cycle supplemental appropriation and was in favor of forwarding the appropriation request to Council on August 20, 2024, for first reading. Ordinance No. 118, 2024, was adopted on September 3, 2024 and effective on September 13, 2024. Prior to the August 1, 2024, Council Finance Committee meeting, the Committee reviewed the Project on August 11, 2021, and February 23, 2024.

The Project has received full environmental and historical clearances through CDOT during the design, acquisition, and construction phases. The Project was also presented to the Transportation Board as well as the Bicycle Advisory Committee in 2020, both of which support the Project.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Staff has developed and continues to implement a comprehensive public engagement plan for the Project.

As part of the design and acquisition process, staff have discussed the Project with the adjacent property owners and current business owners immediately abutting the Project improvements. In addition, staff and an outside acquisition consultant have met or conversed individually with property owners on multiple occasions regarding design and construction details.

Staff has discussed and presented conceptual level drawings at several public outreach events with an open house in October of 2019, two public meetings held on May 1, 2023, and May 23, 2023, and the Transportation Projects Fairs in February 2023 and February 2024. A project website is regularly updated with Project information and upcoming milestones.

City staff continues to engage with local businesses and property owners impacted by ongoing work and traffic patterns that are affected by construction traffic control needs and requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance for Consideration
2. Vicinity Map
3. Ordinance No. 118, 2024