

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



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SUBJECT

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 119, 2024, Making Supplemental Appropriations from Colorado Department of Transportation Revenue for the Intersection Improvements on US-287 (College Avenue) Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on August 20, 2024, appropriates Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) revenue dedicated to infrastructure improvements complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The City was awarded \$876,816 in Fiscal Year 2021 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program funds by the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO) with local funding in the amount of \$182,268 (total funding of \$1,059,084). The STBG application proposed to address traffic signal deficiencies at three intersections along US 287: Swallow Road, Pitkin Street, and Rutgers Avenue. During the drafting and execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with CDOT, the intersections at Swallow Road and Rutgers Avenue were replaced by Columbia Road and Harvard Street after being identified as higher priorities for CDOT. Pitkin Street remained within the project scope. The NFRMPO and CDOT allowed the City to remove the work at Harvard Street after project estimates determined there was not enough funding to complete work at all three intersections.

CDOT has agreed to contribute funding (estimated at \$509,617) towards improvements to address ADA deficiencies at the remaining two intersections (Columbia Road and Pitkin Street) that were not originally identified in the grant application. The current estimate to complete the proposed improvements at the two intersections is \$1,568,701. On June 26, 2024, as authorized by Resolution 2022-035, the City Manager executed an amendment to the CDOT IGA to increase total funds from \$1,059,084 by \$509,617 to a new total funds amount of \$1,568,701 and to update the funding provisions exhibit of the IGA (see Attachment 2 to this AIS).

The Harvard Street intersection is within the limits of the proposed Midtown Improvements Project between Drake Road and Swallow Road (currently at the 30% design milestone). The proposed work at Harvard Street will be included in the Midtown project, reducing the chance for duplicative work.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The following is a summary of the funding anticipated for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction for the Intersection Improvements on US-287 (College Avenue) Project. Please note there was a minor error (\$816) in the total STBG program funds in the initial appropriation that is proposed to be corrected with this appropriation.

Prior Appropriated Funds	
Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program Funds	\$ 876,000
Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF) Funds	\$ 92,795
Transportation Services Fund Reserves	\$ 205
Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP) Arterial Intersection Improvements (2020 BFO Offer)	\$ 89,268
Total Prior Appropriation	\$ 1,058,268

Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	
Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program Funds	\$ 816
Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Funds	\$ 509,617
Total Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	\$ 510,433
Total Project Funds	\$ 1,568,701

The total fund amount projected for this Project is \$1,568,701 composed of funds appropriated with prior actions and with this action.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Project is in the process of receiving full environmental and historical clearances through CDOT as part of the design phase. The Project was brought before the NFRMPO Technical Advisory Committee on March 20, 2024, and Council on March 1, 2022, and both bodies recommended approval.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Staff has developed and continues to implement a targeted Public Engagement Plan for the Project. City staff will engage with local businesses and property owners impacted by proposed work and traffic patterns that are affected by construction traffic control needs and requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

First Reading attachments not included.

1. Ordinance for Consideration