

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 115, 2024, Making Supplemental Appropriations of Prior Year Reserves from Developer Contributions and Authorizing Transfers for the Future Vine and Timberline Overpass Project and Related Art in Public Places.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to enable the City to appropriate development payment-in-lieu (PIL) funds for the Vine and Timberline Overpass Project (Project). The funds will be used for design services and grant application support services. If approved, this item will: 1) appropriate \$273,361 received in 2016 as a development contribution to construction by an adjacent development; and 2) appropriate \$3,318 (1% of PIL) from a PIL to the City from a development contribution to construction to the Art in Public Places (APP) program.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The existing intersection of Timberline Road and Vine Drive experiences congestion with safety and delay concerns due to the existing 4-way stop control along with an at-grade rail crossing near the intersection. The Vine and Timberline Intersection Improvements project will improve the intersection with a traffic signal interconnected to a new rail crossing signal. That project is fully funded, and construction is currently underway. Construction on that intersection improvement project will be completed later this autumn.

As northeast Fort Collins continues to develop, increasing traffic volumes at the intersection will result in the need for an overpass like the one recently constructed at Vine and Lemay. This grade separation over the railroad has been part of the City's Master Street Plan for several years. The Transportation Capital Projects Prioritization Study (TCPSPS) includes the Vine and Timberline Overpass (Project) as one of the top 15 projects in the study. TCPSPS was discussed at the August 22, 2023, City Council Work Session and later adopted by City Council on September 19, 2023 (Resolution 2023-086).

The East Ridge Second Filing development provided a development contribution PIL for its local street portion of Timberline Road in the amount of \$276,679 in 2016. This section of Timberline Road would eventually be constructed as part of the Project. The funds along with a prior appropriation from Waterfield

Fourth Filing (shown in the Prior Appropriated Funds in the table below) will be used for procurement of preliminary design services and grant application support for the Project.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The following is a summary of the current and proposed funding appropriations for the Vine and Timberline Overpass Project.

Prior Appropriated Funds	
Development Contributions to Construction	
Payment in Lieu	\$ 58,466
Total Prior Appropriation	\$ 58,466
Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	
Development Contributions to Construction	
Payment in Lieu	\$ 276,679
Total Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	\$ 276,679
Transfer to Art in Public Places	\$ 3,318
Total Project Funds	\$ 335,145

The total fund amount projected for this Project is \$335,145 composed of funds appropriated with prior actions and with this action.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Council adopted TCPPS (Project is identified in the study) on September 19, 2023. The study was also brought to the Transportation Board on August 16, 2023, and the Bike Advisory Committee on August 28, 2023, and both bodies support the results of the study.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

A public engagement plan was established as part of the development of the TCPPS work plan. This effort included a bilingual webpage on ourcity.fcgov.com, social media platforms, press releases, newsletters published by the City and various organizations, email distribution in coordination with Larimer County Department of Health and Environment, and an in-person open house table for the West Elizabeth Corridor Design Project in July 2021.

A virtual open house for TCPPS was held from October 14-31, 2021, to provide a project progress update, display analysis findings, garner feedback, and encourage viewers to take a public survey if they had not already done so. The public survey itself was accessed by 472 visitors, contributed to by 166 unique people, and received 1,020 pins/comments.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance for Consideration
2. Conceptual Design