



CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Presenter:	Jason Anderson
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, December 27, 2022
Category:	NEW BUSINESS
Type:	ACTION
Subject:	Consider Resolution Supporting Pursuit of Active Transportation Infrastructure Funding for US 59 Pedestrian Crossing Improvements, CR 7/Airport Road Trail Crossing Improvements and Trail Realignment, and US 59 Trail Extension.
Background Information:	<p>MnDOT is currently soliciting for Active Transportation Infrastructure Program grants between \$50,000 and \$500,000. If awarded, grant funds must be expended in 2023 or 2024.</p> <p>City of Marshall staff has been working with Bolton & Menk to submit a grant application for a project that would improve pedestrian and trail connectivity and safety at three different locations. The proposed project would add trail along US 59 between Boyer Drive and Windstar Street, add a RRFB pedestrian crossing and possible median at A Street/US 59, and add a RRFB pedestrian crossing on CR 7/Airport Road and realign the Camden Regional Trail to eliminate the need to use Airport Road as bike trail.</p> <p>Staff and Bolton and Menk are proposing to apply for the entire construction cost amount to be covered by the grant, with engineering costs to be covered with local funds. Engineering costs are not grant eligible. City staff would propose to hire Bolton & Menk to design the project and address all federal or state grant requirements. City staff would then administer and inspect the construction project; essentially, city staff would complete all tasks outside of initial project design and approvals. It is estimated at this time that engineering services would not exceed \$50,000, and some of the costs may be split with Lyon County for the improvements to occur at CR 7. No formal agreement between Lyon County and the City exists at this time, and the City may need to cover all engineering costs if Lyon County is not agreeable to participate.</p> <p>The project construction estimate is \$360,381 for improvements at all locations. If a grant is offered, City staff will return to the City Council for consideration of acceptance and consideration of engineering contract with Bolton & Menk for project design. City staff is appreciative of Bolton & Menk’s efforts to take the lead role in writing this grant and creating project exhibits and other grant submittal documents.</p>
Fiscal Impact:	If we receive a full grant award for all construction costs, local costs will include engineering design services to Bolton & Menk. It is estimated that these services may cost between \$40,000-\$50,000. Staff will request a scope of services and cost estimate from Bolton & Menk if it is determined that we will be receiving a grant award.
Alternative/Variations:	No alternative actions recommended.
Recommendations:	that the Council adopt RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-107, which is the “Resolution Supporting Pursuit of Active Transportation Infrastructure Funding for US 59 Pedestrian Crossing Improvements, CR 7/Airport Road Trail Crossing Improvements and Trail Realignment, and US 59 Trail Extension” and authorize BMI and City staff to submit the grant application.