



## Agenda Item Summary

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MEETING DATE: June 10, 2024

SUBJECT: **Resolution No. 48-R-2024** – A Resolution of the Town of Mead, Colorado, Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Colorado for the I-25/Weld County Road 38 Interchange Project - Design Phase, Project Number NHPP 0253-307 (26405)

PRESENTED BY: Erika Rasmussen, Town Engineer/Public Works Director

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### SUMMARY

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The Town is under contract with Wilson & Company (“Consultant”) to seek interchange modification approval for a future new full-access interstate interchange to be located at Interstate 25 and County Road 38 (the WCR 38 Interchange Project).

Policy Directive 1601 adopted by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) titled “Interchange Approval Process” (1601 Process) seeks to establish fair and consistent procedures regarding the review and evaluation of requests for new interchanges and major improvements to existing interchanges on the state highway system. As set forth in the Policy, an applicant is responsible for all costs for the development, administration, and evaluation of proposals for new interchanges or modifications to existing interchanges.”

Resolution No. 48-R-2024 (the “Resolution”): (1) approves an intergovernmental agreement between the State of Colorado/CDOT and the Town (the “Contract”) in order to establish the responsibilities of CDOT and Mead with respect to the 1601 Process and to serve as a reimbursable agreement for CDOT review of the Town’s request for review of the WCR 38 Interchange Project, and (2) authorizes the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute the Contract on behalf of the Town when in final form.

A copy of the Contract is attached to this *Agenda Item Summary* for the Board’s review. Town Staff recommends approval of the Resolution.

### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

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The WCR 38 Interchange Project will provide the needed access to create transportation safety and operational redundancy and resiliency, as the current interchange spacing is 3-miles to the north (CO 56) and 2-miles to the south (WCR 34), for a total of a five (5) mile span on I-25 that lacks an interchange in a rapidly growing area.

Additionally, the WCR 38 Interchange Project will provide other important benefits including, but not limited to, reducing future traffic burdens and congestion on adjacent highway interchanges, improving access to local roads, and enhancing traffic safety.

The Contract establishes the Town contribution to reimburse the State/CDOT for review costs associated with the Town’s WCR 38 Interchange Project application. Specifically, the Contract requires the Town

to pay a not-to-exceed amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to cover estimated review costs. As set forth above, the Town will be relying on the Consultant to finalize the application and assist the Town with completing the 1601 Process.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED

A motion to approve the June 10, 2024, consent agenda will approve the Resolution. If this item is pulled off the consent for further discussion or questions, Staff recommends the following motion:

Suggested Motion:

“I move to adopt Resolution No. 48-R-2024 – A Resolution of the Town of Mead, Colorado, Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Colorado for the I-25/Weld County Road 38 Interchange Project - Design Phase, Project Number NHPP 0253-307 (26405).”

#### ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 48-R-2024  
CDOT WCR 38 Interchange Project IGA [PROJECT: NHPP 0253-307 (26405)]