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Subject

MEDC Budget Amendment

Description

MEDC’s Category I – Public Infrastructure is the largest item in its budget. This year, City Council has already approved an expenditure of \$200,000 from this category to fund a 6’ sidewalk project along Clepper Dr.

One of the sub categories is “Downtown Development Improvements”. This is intended to fund the projects that support the transition envisioned by the Downtown Design Master Plan, which Council adopted last year. However, some of the projects will technically be outside of the downtown area and the MEDC would like to amend their budget to have line item 400-40-46103 read “Downtown and Corridor Development Improvements”.

The expenditure that is immediately envisioned for this category is an upgrade to TxDOT’s traffic management plan along Hwy105 on the eastern edge of the City. The current plans call for the raised medians to be filled with concrete. MEDC believes that a significant visual improvement would be achieved with an upgrade to brick pavers. Although the project is well-advanced, MEDC is working with its Downtown Design Master Plan engineer, Gunda Corporation, to get a work order approved for the installation of these pavers. The City would need to pay for the pavers and MEDC is willing to bear the cost as it believes that the appearance of the corridor into the City is an important aspect of its appeal to residents and businesses.

If a work order is approved and it is in excess of \$10,000, MEDC will need to return to Council for approval for the expenditure, even if Council has already approved the change in the budget here. Additionally, an agreement between the City and TxDOT for the upgrade and maintenance of the pavers will have to be

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signed. This approval is being sought to provide MEDC additional flexibility to invest in the appearance in the City in this fiscal year.

Recommendation

Approve the request for MEDC to amend its budget line item from “Downtown Development Improvements” to “Downtown and Corridor Development Improvements”.

Approved By

City Administrator

Date: