ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING 9/22/2025 AGENDA ITEM NO. __

SUBJECT:

Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department Of Transportation for the maintenance of various State Routes within the City of Rochelle (Governmental Body) boundary from 2025 to 2035

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Summary:

- 1. The IDOT has submitted an updated Intergovernmental Agreement for maintenance of certain State routes within the City of Rochelle corporate limits. The term of the agreement is from July 2025 to July 2035. The scope of work and areas identified for routine maintenance are generally identified in the agreement. This maintenance does not include major reconstruction or resurfacing projects but instead provides for normal routine maintenance responsibilities, more particularly described in part 5 of the agreement and associated calculation sheets. The compensation for such services is described in part 6 of the agreement.
- 2. The City Engineer and Public Works director met with IDOT in July to discuss the scope of agreement and identify some questionable maintenance limits contained within the agreement along with other concerns to the condition of IDOT/State highways within the City limits. At the time City staff expressed its hesitation in extending the agreement another 10 years while immediate construction needs and costs are not being addressed in a timely/routine manner by the IDOT along the State routes. More specifically, how long the IL Rte. 251 IL/ Rte. 38 reconstruction project phase1 and other projects along Rte. 251 south of 10th Avenue have taken to address infrastructure improvement needs well beyond the maintenance. IDOT is aware of these issues and has indicated they are committed to working on these issues with Therefore, while it is a 10-year agreement staff recommends a reevaluation of the agreement no later than December 31, 2028 and determine if IDOT has in fact taken a more proactive approach to addressing upgrades along its State routes within the City of Rochelle. If conditions/expectations aren't met within the agreement or on certain transportation project improvements during that time, then the City could opt out of the agreement with notice.
- 3. It is also important to understand that, over the past 50 years, City Council has approved various intergovernmental agreements for urbanized traffic and signal upgrades along various roadway sections/intersections along the State route. However, those agreements also committed the City to various maintenance exposures and are not part of this agreement.
- 4. The Public Works Department, in many cases, is typically the first response to address the immediate and short-term maintenance issues of local streets and highways within its corporate limits and contained within the agreement. However, this agreement is considered maintenance only for a determined list of items. In part 4 and 5 of the agreement, it contains a designee to be identified by the City of Rochelle ("governmental body") to negotiate, review and approve certain

minor modifications and invoicing to the Department that may come up from time to time with the agreement or maintenance limits. The City Engineer and/or Public Works director are currently those designees. Recommendation is to keep those names and add the City Manager.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
N/A reimbursement per IDOT	N/A reimbursement per IDOT	N/A reimbursement per IDOT

Recommendation:

Please consider a resolution authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department Of Transportation for the maintenance of various State Routes within the City of Rochelle (Governmental Body) boundary from 2025 to 2035

Supporting Documents:

Enclosure (1):

Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department Of Transportation for the maintenance of various State Routes within the City of Rochelle (Governmental Body) boundary from 2025 to 2035

Including 10 year contract estimated calculation sheets