



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2264, **Agenda Item #:** 46.

6/19/2019

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the construction of the Violet Crown Trail North project; amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to accept funds from the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$1,177,000; and amending the Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to transfer in and appropriate \$1,177,000 for construction of this project.

Lead Department

Public Works

Fiscal Note

Funding is available from the 2016 Mobility Bond, Local Mobility, and Urban Trails Program.

Prior Council Action:

December 17, 2017 - Council passed Resolution No. 20171214-056 which authorized the submittal of a list of potential transportation projects for the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2019-2022 Call for Projects.

September 25, 2014 - Council passed Ordinance No. 20140925-143 which adopted the Urban Trails Master Plan, including the Tier 1 trail, Violet Crown Trail.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Violet Crown Trail is part of a proposed 30-mile trail system running from Zilker Park and to Hays County. The South portion of the trail is just under one mile in length and opened in the fall of 2018. This portion begins at the Hampton Branch Public Library, crosses under Mopac Expressway, and extends to Convict Hill Road at Brush Country Road.

The North portion includes a one-mile multi-use trail from Home Depot Boulevard to Mopac Expressway and will provide increased walking and biking improvements. This project will connect to the existing Barton Corridor Trail, other park hike and bike trails, and the new Violet Crown Trail South via sidewalk connections.

The total cost of construction is approximately \$1,471,250. CAMPO has awarded the project federal funding in the amount of \$1,177,000 for construction of the trail. The City is providing a local match in the amount of \$294,250 which is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department. Final grant and local match funding amounts are dependent upon actual costs of this project.

The purpose of this item before Council is to authorize negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement and to accept funds necessary to complete construction of the Violet Crown Trail North.

This project is located within zip codes 78749 (District 8) & 78745 (Sunset Valley) and is managed by the Public Works Department.