



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1250, Agenda Item #: 24.

3/3/2022

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of a Local On-System Improvement Project Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation in an estimated amount of \$650,000 plus any cost overruns, for the implementation of safety and mobility improvements on IH-35 Northbound Frontage Road and IH-35 Southbound Frontage Road at 7th Street and 8th Street.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$650,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Transportation Department Capital Improvement Budget from the 2016 Mobility Bond, Intersection Safety/Vision Zero program. A fiscal note is attached.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) is implementing critical safety and mobility improvements at IH-35 Northbound and Southbound Frontage Roads, at 7th Street and 8th Street. ATD has identified both intersections as high-crash intersections from the 2016 Mobility Bond priority list. ATD staff have been working with other Local Mobility Partners including Transit and Bikeways programs, to scope, design and move forward towards construction, comprehensive multi-modal safety, mobility, and transit improvements at this location. Staff have also engaged with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) North Travis Area Office to review the design concept because TxDOT has jurisdiction over this section of IH-35.

An executed Local On-System Improvement Project Agreement (LOSA) is needed to secure approval from TxDOT for the proposed improvements along IH-35 Frontage Roads. The City will be contributing 100% of the project costs, plus overruns, using 2016 Mobility Bond funds Intersection Safety/Vision Zero program with the City paying for any required TxDOT review and approval fees.

The project is currently in design with construction start anticipated in calendar year 2022.

The project is located within zip code 78701.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Safety.