

City of Columbia 701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Manager To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: February 18, 2019 Re: Support for MoDOT I-70 Missouri River Bridge Replacement

Executive Summary

This is a resolution supporting MoDOT's application to the Federal Government for the replacement of the I-70 Missouri River Bridge at Rocheport, and expressing the City's willingness to commit financial participation in the amount of \$2,000,000.

Discussion

MoDOT requested a meeting with the Mayor and the City Manager to discuss the condition of the I-70 Missouri River Bridge at Rocheport west of the city of Columbia. MoDOT is planning to spend approximately \$18M to rehabilitate the bridge in 2020. This rehabilitation would cause major traffic congestion for seven to nine months with projected traffic backups to at least Stadium Boulevard in Columbia. Similar backups are projected by MoDOT to the west, resulting in estimated hours of delays for travelers trying to reach Columbia. This \$18M rehabilitation would have a life span of seven to ten years and replacement would then be needed at that time.

MoDOT is asking the city, county and the surrounding communities to support expediting a full bridge replacement option that would cost approximately \$238M, and be funded primarily through a competitive federal grant. The project score of the competitive federal grant will improve with demonstrated local financial support for the project. Accordingly, MoDOT is requesting the city support this expedited replacement option with a \$2M local contribution. The grant application is due in early March with an expected notification of award in the fall of 2019. MoDOT is willing to finance the city's \$2M contribution with a 15 year loan at 1.7% interest if needed.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$2,000,000 Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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Legislative History		
Date	Action	
N/A	N/A	

Suggested Council Action

Should Council agree, staff recommends approval of the legislation.