

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 18, 2019

Re: Authorizing a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Fund Agreement with the Missouri

Highway and Transportation Commission for the Leslie Lane Sidewalk Project

Executive Summary

Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Fund Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC); and appropriate funds for the Leslie Lane Sidewalk project from Newton Drive to Garth Avenue. The total estimated project cost requested is \$214,245 and is eligible for 80% reimbursement from MoDOT with a 20% local match.

Discussion

At the October 1, 2018 Council meeting, Council adopted Resolution 153-18 authorizing the City Manager to apply to MoDOT for federal 2018 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for the Leslie Lane Sidewalk project. On January 18, 2019 staff was notified that the project was approved for TAP funding. The federal share for this project will be 80% not to exceed \$171,396.00. The grant requires a local 20% match of the federal funds which will be paid from the 1/4 cent Capital Improvement Program Sales Tax fund. The project is subject to the reasonable progress policies as set forth in the agreement per the Local Public Agency (LPA) Manual requirements. The agreement set forth that a construction contract needs to be in place by December 1, 2020.

The Leslie Lane sidewalk will connect to existing sidewalk on the west side of Newton Drive and to existing sidewalk on the east side of Garth Avenue. Currently, there is not a sidewalk on either side of the road in the area of the proposed sidewalk. The proposed improvements will include constructing a 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk with 3-foot of green space along the northern side of Leslie Lane. In addition, connecting driveways and the curb ramps at the Leslie/Newton intersection will be improved to meet ADA requirements. Finally, the stormwater inlet and piping will be modified to accommodate the sidewalk placement.

The proposed sidewalk will improve pedestrian access to many public facilities including:

- Approximately 100 feet east of the proposed sidewalk is the Probation and Parole Office and the Phoenix Programs for Treatment and Recovery.
- Approximately 700 feet north along Garth Avenue is Parkade Elementary School and Parkade Baptist Church.
- Boxer Park is located at the end of Newton Drive and provides an access to the Bear Creek Trail.
- Garth Nature Trail and Parkade Park are located within walking distance of the project.
- The project is located along one of the City's bus routes.



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The total estimated project cost requested for funding is \$214,245.00. Of that amount MoDOT will fund 80%, not to exceed \$171,396, and the City will fund 20% or \$42,849.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Staff is appropriating \$214,245 to the Leslie Lane Sidewalk project with \$171,396 from grant funds and \$42,849 (20% local match) from 1/4 cent Capital Improvement Program Sales Tax fund.

Long-Term Impact: Sidewalk to be maintained by adjacent property owners.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility,

Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History	
Date	Action
10/01/2018	R153-18-Authorizing the City Manager to apply to the Missouri Department of Transportation for federal 2018 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for projects that aid in nonmotorized transportation.

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Transportation Alternatives (TAP) agreement with MHTC and appropriate funds for the construction of the Leslie Lane Sidewalk project.