

AGENDA



Thursday, April 23, 2009

**Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 35**

Subject: Approve an ordinance authorizing the waiver of certain fees for the design and construction of a new segment of Howard Lane from Cameron Road (Harris Branch Parkway) to SH 130, an Accelerate Austin project, in an amount not to exceed \$261,670; and authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City and Travis County for the design and construction of a new segment of Howard Lane from Cameron Road (Harris Branch Parkway) to SH 130, an Accelerate Austin project, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Prior Council Action: August 22, 2002 Approved Resolution No. 020822-70, a condition of which included the dedication of ROW for Howard Lane.
August 23, 2007 Approved projects for 2000 Transportation Bond funding.

This approximately 8,200 linear feet extension of Howard Lane includes approximately 5,300 linear feet within the Austin City limits and approximately 2,900 linear feet in Travis County. In July 2003 the City acquired a 114-foot wide right of way as part of the Harris Branch PUD agreements in 2001. The County has entered into Road Construction Agreements with the affected landowners to contribute right of way and funding. The County has entered into an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to fund \$6,000,000 of the project costs.

The County is responsible for project management and the costs of the project outside of the City limits. County participation is limited to \$7,500,000. The City has agreed to pay the costs of the project within the City limits. City participation is limited to \$10,000,000. The total cost of this project is estimated at \$17,500,000

This project will design and construct a four lane divided arterial with bike lanes and sidewalks, in accordance with the 2030 CAMPO plan. This is one of the SH130 Connectivity and County Participation Projects approved for 2000 Transportation Bond funding. Design is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2009 with construction expected to begin late 2012.