Thursday, January 27, 2011

## Transportation RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 30

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement between the City and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for intersection improvements to the IH 35 Northbound Frontage Road from 53rd Street to Barbara Jordan Boulevard as it relates to the 2010 Transportation Bond.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding of \$1,325,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Transportation Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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In November 2010 the voters approved \$2,300,000 as part of the 2010 Transportation Bond Package to be utilized towards improvements for the IH 35/51st Street interchange. This Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT is for Phase I which consists of improvements to the Northbound Frontage Road of IH 35 allowing improved access to Cameron Road and reducing congestion on 51st Street.

The City participation is estimated at \$1,325,000 and the State's participation is estimated at \$274,275 for a total cost of Phase I of the project of \$1,599,275.

The southbound frontage road will be considered in a subsequent Phase, following additional study as required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).