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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2305, Agenda Item #: 45.

6/19/2019

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the construction of the Austin to Manor Rail with Trail Phase 2 project; amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to accept funds from the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$3,773,000; and amending the Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to transfer in and appropriate \$3,773,000 for construction of this project.

Lead Department

Public Works.

Fiscal Note

Fiscal notes are attached. Matching funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Prior Council Action:

December 17, 2017 - Council passed Resolution No. 20171214-056 which authorized the submittal of a list of potential transportation projects for the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2019-2022 Call for Projects.

September 25, 2014 - Council passed Ordinance No. 20140925-143 which adopted the Urban Trails Master Plan, including the Tier 1 trail, Austin to Manor Rail with Trail.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin to Manor Rail with Trail Phase 2 is a proposed 3-mile long trail running from Walter E Long Park to Ben E Fischer Park in Manor, Texas. The first phase of the project, which extends from the intersection of Daffan Lane and Johnny Morris Road to the intersection of Decker Lane and Lindell Lane, was completed in the fall of 2014 and is a total length of approximately 2.9 miles.

This proposed second phase of the project will extend the trail from phase 1 to provide the required connection from the City of Austin to the City of Manor and will also provide accessibility from Manor to the Southern Walnut Creek trail, creating a 12-mile long trail system. The work consists of construction of a 12-feet wide concrete trail to accommodate both pedestrians and bicyclists.

The total cost of construction is approximately \$4,716,250. CAMPO has awarded the project federal funding in the amount of \$3,773,000 for construction of the trail. The City is providing a local match in the amount of \$943,250 - Matching funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department. Final grant and local match funding amounts are dependent upon actual costs of this project.

The purpose of this item before Council is to authorize negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding

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Agreement and to accept and appropriate the funds necessary to complete construction of the Austin to Manor Rail with Trail Phase 2.

This project is located within zip codes 78724 (District 1) & 78653 (Manor) and is managed by the Public Works Department.