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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3253, Agenda Item #: 33.

11/4/2021

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of a Local On-System Improvement Project Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, for the implementation of safety and mobility improvements on South Congress Avenue between Mockingbird Lane and Little Texas Lane.

Lead Department

Austin Transportation Department

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$4,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Transportation Department Capital Improvement Budget from the 2018 Mobility Bond - Proposition G, Vision Zero/Transportation Safety. A fiscal note is attached.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) is implementing critical safety and mobility improvements on South Congress Avenue between Mockingbird Lane and Little Texas Lane. ATD has identified the intersection of South Congress Avenue at Stassney Lane as one of the high-crash intersections based on a prioritized list developed using comprehensive crash costs and other engineering factors such as crash rates, frequency and patterns. ATD staff have been working with other Local Mobility Partners such as Sidewalks, Bikeways, and Transit, to scope, design and move forward towards construction, comprehensive multi-modal safety, mobility and transit improvements at this location. Staff have also engaged with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) South Travis Area Office staff to review design concept because TxDOT has jurisdiction over this section of Congress Avenue.

An executed agreement is needed to secure approval from TxDOT for the proposed improvements along Congress Avenue. This project is solely funded using 100% City of Austin Bond funds with the City paying for any required TxDOT review and approval fees.

The project is currently in design with construction start anticipated in calendar year 2022.

This project is located within zip code 78745

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Safety.