

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of May 27, 2014 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of June 10, 2014

DATE: May 13, 2014

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> Resolution supporting submission of grant applications For the Highway Safety Improvement Program

CAPTION:

Resolution supporting the submission of multiple grant applications with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for projects to improve and interconnect traffic signals at selected locations throughout the City of Corpus Christi.

PURPOSE:

This resolution confirms City Council support of seventeen separate grant applications submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation Highway Safety Improvement Program for potential future federal funding up to the amount of \$7,373,218.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

TxDOT makes funding available for local highway safety projects that could eliminate or reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes as identified in the Texas Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). Funds are provided for construction and operational improvements for projects both on and off the state highway system. City staff has identified a total of 17 highway safety projects that qualify for potential HSIP grant funding to interconnect and improve traffic signals on City arterials. These priority locations were selected based on prior accidents reported over the past three years and would include improvement to 68 traffic signals located on the 17 arterials. The applications are independent of each other and contingent upon HSIP award and a local match.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve resolution in support of grant submission. (Recommended)
- 2. Do not approve resolution in support of grant submission. (Not recommended)

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

This is a 90/10 grant with a local match of 10% require for all grants received. The grant package will total \$7,373,218 if all 17 grants are approved. If received, a local match of 10% of grant award will be required at the time of construction. Grant notification is scheduled for the Summer 2014 timeframe.

	Project to Expendi		
□ Operating	□ Revenue	□ Capital	Not applicable at this time
FINANCIAL IMPA	<u>CT</u> :		
Not applicable			
DEPARTMENTAL	CLEARANCES:		
Non-Emergency			
EMERGENCY / N	ON-EMERGENCY:		
Not applicable.			
CONFORMITY TO	CITY POLICY:		
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Fiscal Year: 2013-2014	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments: Any future grant match required could come from the Bond 2012 project for Signal Improvements and Street Lighting or be included in a future bond election.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the resolution as presented supporting multiple grant applications for Texas Department of Transportation Highway Safety Improvement Program funding for safety improvements to 17 qualified locations throughout the City.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution

TxDOT Highway Safety Improvement Program – City of Corpus Christi Grant Priority Locations Grant Application