

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Transportation & Capital Improvements

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mike Frisbie, P.E.

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 9

SUBJECT:

Funding Agreement: Chabad Center for Jewish Life and Learning

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Funding Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Chabad Center for Jewish Life and Learning, accepting \$14,000.00 as partial funding for the City's installation of an overhead flashing beacon at 14535 Blanco Road, a Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funded project, located in City Council District 9.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Council District 9 has elected to complete an overhead flashing beacon project at 14535 Blanco Road to alert motorists of Chabad Center's entrance and location through the use of the District 9 Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funds. The Chabad Center has offered to partner with the City to complete the traffic improvements on Blanco Road.

The Project will include the construction of an overhead flashing beacon near 14535 Blanco Road on real estate owned by the Chabad Center. At the request of Councilman Krier and the Chabad Center, the Transportation & Capital Improvements Department has assessed traffic on Blanco Road and determined an overhead flashing beacon would be beneficial to the Chabad Center by alerting motorists of the Center's entrance location, given that Blanco is a major arterial with five lanes and the volume of traffic it carries on a daily basis. The Chabad Center will contribute \$14,000.00 towards the construction of the project and District 9 Councilman Krier has

committed to fund the remaining \$34,000.00 from the District 9 NAMP Funds.

Construction is anticipated to begin in July 2016 and anticipated to be completed by August 2016.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of a Funding Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Chabad Center for Jewish Life and Learning, accepting \$14,000.00 as partial funding for the City's installation of an overhead flashing beacon at 14535 Blanco Road, a Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funded project, located in City Council District 9.

The City will manage the construction that is anticipated to begin in July 2016 and anticipated to be completed by August 2016.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to authorize this Funding Agreement with the Chabad Center. However, this would result in the City missing out on an opportunity to accept funding for a traffic safety improvement project along Blanco Road.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Funding Agreement accepts funds in the amount of \$14,000.00 from the Chabad Center, to be combined with \$34,000.00 from the District 9 NAMP Funds, to complete the overhead flashing beacon. The District 9 NAMP funds were previously appropriated and are available from the Fiscal Year 2016 General Fund budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this Funding Agreement to accept funds in the amount of \$14,000.00 from the Chabad Center for the installation of the overhead flashing beacon at 14535 Blanco Road, a Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funded project, located in City Council District 9.