



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Transportation & Capital Improvements

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COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 6

SUBJECT:

Advanced Funding Agreement for Traffic Signal at Ingram Road and Richland Hills Drive

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the execution of an Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of San Antonio and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in the amount of \$31,595.00 payable to TxDOT for the installation of a traffic signal at Ingram Road and Richland Hills Drive, an Infrastructure Management Program (IMP) funded project, located in Council District 6.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The intersection of Ingram Road and Richland Hills Drive is currently an all-way stop controlled intersection. Based on traffic studies and staff recommendations, this intersection was recommended for the installation of a traffic signal. This prospective project was submitted for inclusion in TxDOT's FY 2015 Highway Safety Improvements Program (HSIP) and the project was selected for construction. The program aims to eliminate or reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes. The program is limited to specific project and crash types identified in the Texas Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The FY 2015 program included funds for construction and operational improvements of qualifying projects that were located off the state highway system. Federal dollars are used to fund the program and the local government is required to provide a 10% match for construction funding.

As per the Advanced Funding Agreement, the City of San Antonio is responsible for the costs associated with Environmental Assessment and Design part of the project. The Texas Department of Transportation will solicit

a construction contract and construct the project. The Advanced Funding Agreement clarifies the roles and fiscal responsibility of each agency and provides TxDOT with the City's 10% match requirement of \$31,595.00

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of an Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of San Antonio and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in the amount of \$31,595.00 payable to TxDOT for the installation of a traffic signal at Ingram Road and Richland Hills Drive, an Infrastructure Management Program (IMP) funded project, located in Council District 6. The project has been selected for funding under TxDOT's FY 2015 Highway Safety Improvement Program which provides Federal funds to cover 90% of the construction costs.

As per the Advanced Funding Agreement, the City of San Antonio is responsible for the costs associated with Environmental Assessment and Design part of the project. The Texas Department of Transportation will solicit a construction contract and construct the project. Of the \$31,595.00 payment, \$1,146.00 is included for TxDOT oversight as required by the Advanced Funding Agreement. The remaining funds of \$30,449.00 will cover the City's required match for the Federal funds. Once constructed, the City will own, operate and maintain this traffic signal.

ALTERNATIVES:

As an alternative the City can elect not to authorize this Advance Funding Agreement. However, the City would then be responsible to fund 100% of the construction costs for the new traffic signal in a future project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is a one-time capital expenditure and funds in the amount of \$31,595.00 available from the General Fund Infrastructure Management Program (IMP) budget. Of the \$31,595.00 payment, \$1,416.00 is included for TxDOT oversight with the remaining funds of \$30,449.00 to cover the City's required match for the Federal funds.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing an Advance Funding Agreement between City of San Antonio and TxDOT for the installation of a traffic signal at Ingram Road and Richland Hills Drive.