



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Transportation & Capital Improvements

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini, P.E., R.P.L.S.

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 3

SUBJECT:

Funding Agreement: Pedestrian Refuge Island Installation (6410 South New Braunfels Avenue)

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Funding Agreement between LDG Copper Point, LP and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$139,536.64 for the acceptance of these funds from LDG Copper Point, LP for their share of construction related expenses for the installation of a pedestrian refuge island with a marked crosswalk at 6410 South New Braunfels Avenue located in Council District 3.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Project Background

In 2017, residents of the Primrose at Mission Hills Senior Living Facility located at 6639 South New Braunfels Avenue requested a VIA Metropolitan Transit bus stop on the east side of South New Braunfels Avenue across from their facility entrance. Transportation & Capital Improvements (TCI) reviewed the roadway geometry, traffic volumes, and future development of the proposed bus stop location to ensure pedestrian safety when crossing the four-lane undivided South New Braunfels Avenue to access the proposed new bus stop. As a result of the review, TCI determined a pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk and rectangular rapid flashing beacons would benefit the residents of Primrose at Mission Hills Senior Living Facility, pedestrians and drivers on South New Braunfels Avenue, and residents of the future apartment development of Copper Pointe located at 6410 South New Braunfels Avenue.

Per the City's Unified Development Code, the project is not a requirement of the future Copper Pointe traffic

mitigation. TCI requested the Copper Pointe developer, LDG Copper Point, LP (Donor) to fund the project. As a result, the City and Donor agreed to share in the cost of purchasing materials and installing the pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk and flashing beacons on South New Braunfels Avenue near the Donor's project entrance and across from the Primrose at Mission Hills Senior Living Facility entrance.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of a Funding Agreement between LDG Copper Point, LP and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$139,536.64 for the acceptance of these funds from LDG Copper Point, LP for their share of construction related expenses for the installation of a pedestrian refuge island with a marked crosswalk at 6410 South New Braunfels Avenue located in Council District 3.

The material and installation costs for the project are estimated at \$358,568.28. The Donor's contribution in the estimated amount of \$139,536.64 will cover half of pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk material and installation costs. The City's contribution in the estimated amount of \$219,031.64 will cover the remaining half of the pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk material and installation costs and all of the material and installation costs for the rectangular rapid flashing beacons.

The City will construct the project through one of the City's on-call construction contracts and provide construction administration services. Project installation is anticipated to begin in December 2019 and be completed by March 2020.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to authorize the execution of the Funding Agreement with LDG Copper Point, LP. However, this would require the City to install the recommended safety improvements at full cost to the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes acceptance of funds in the amount of \$139,536.64 from LDG Copper Point, LP for their share of construction of the installation of a pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk at 6410 South New Braunfels Avenue. This project is included in the FY 2020 - FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program Budget.

Funding Source	Project Material & Installation Costs	Amount
LDG Copper Point, LP	50% - Pedestrian Refuge Island & Crosswalk	\$139,536.64
District 3 Pedestrian & Mobility Streets (2017 Bond)	50% - Pedestrian Refuge Island & Crosswalk 100% - Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons	\$139,536.64 \$ 79,495.00
Total Project Cost & Funding		\$358,568.28

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing the execution of a Funding Agreement between LDG

Copper Point, LP (Donor) and the City of San Antonio for the installation of a pedestrian refuge island with marked crosswalk at 6410 South New Braunfels Avenue.