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TO: Eric Campbell, City Manager
FROM: Thomas Hartman, PE, Director of Public Works
DATE: September 14, 2021
RE: Resolution for VDOT Transportation Alternative Program Grant – Northend Greenway Brookside Phase

Summary:

The Public Works Department is requesting City Council to consider adopting a Resolution for the Northend Greenway Brookside Phase Project, which Public Works will submit a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant application for funds to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).

Background:

The TAP program is a reimbursement program administered by VDOT that may be used for projects that meet certain criteria for enhancing surface transportation for non-motorized modes of travel. The program funds up to 80% of the project and requires a 20% minimum match by the locality.

The Northend Greenway Brookside Phase would continue the construction of the Northend Greenway (NEG) between Jefferson St and Roberts Court, through an existing shared use path easement that was dedicated to the City during the development of the Brookside neighborhood. The shared use path would match the existing NEG typical section with it being a 10' wide asphalt shared use path, with connections to Jefferson Street, Drake Street, and Roberts Court.

The total estimated project cost is \$453,041, with a required City match of \$90,608.20. Savings from earlier phases of NEG construction will be used to provide these matching funds if successful with the TAP grant request.

Key Issues:

N/A

Environmental Impact:

This project will follow the National Environmental Policy Act in order to determine and mitigate any potential environmental impacts.

Fiscal Impact:

Current Northend Greenway capital project balances will be utilized for the required matching funds.

Prior Actions:

City Council has taken many actions over the past 10 years related to the Northend Greenway project.

Alternatives:

N/A

Community Engagement:

As the project design progresses Public Works will host a Design Public Meeting, which will allow the public to provide feedback on the project.

Recommendation:

City staff recommends that City Council adopt the attached Resolution

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Presentation

Review: