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TO: Kurt Hodgen, City Manager

FROM: Thomas Hartman, PE, Assistant Director of Public Works

DATE: October 25, 2016

RE: Resolution of Support for VDOT Highway Safety Improvement Grant – Audible Pedestrian Signals

Summary: The Public Works Department is requesting City Council to consider adopting a Resolution of Support for the purchase and installation of Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) at signalized intersections throughout the City. This will be funded through the VDOT Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

Background: The VDOT Highway Safety Improvement Program is a grant program that is established by the Federal Highway Administration and is available for Localities to use for safety projects. VDOT administers the grant program and if awarded the program requires no local match. Audible Pedestrian Signals (APS) is an enhanced pedestrian crossing device that communicates information about the WALK and DON'T WALK intervals at signalized intersections in non-visual formats to pedestrians who are blind or who have low vision.

The City would use these funds in conjunction with the soon to be completed update of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan to determine which intersections would be upgraded to the APS system. All newly constructed or reconstructed signals within the City include the APS system.

Key Issues: None.

Environmental Impact: None.

Fiscal Impact: This is a 100% funded grant program.

Prior Actions: None.

Alternatives: None.

Community Engagement: None.

Recommendation: None.

Attachments: None.

Review:

The initiating Department Director will place in Legistar, in sequence of transmittal, the names of each department that must initial their review in order for this item to be placed on the City Council agenda. The completion of review only

addresses the readiness of the issue for Council consideration. This does not address the recommendation for approval or denial of the issue.

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