City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 2021 -01 CRA Community Redevelopment Agency 1/19/2021

ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Delarian Wiggins, CRA Chairperson

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01 CRA - SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDING

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community Redevelopment Agency adopt Resolution No. 2021-01 CRA.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDING TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT MULTI-MODAL FACILITIES ALONG SEVERAL CITY ROADS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SUMMARY:

For the past two (2) years, the City of Pensacola Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) applied for Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding to support the Multi-Modal Connectivity to Legion Field Park and Global Learning Academy project located within the City of Pensacola's Westside redevelopment district. This application requests TAP funding for the design and construction of pedestrian and bicycle improvements along L Street from Cervantes Street to Gregory Street (Priority Segment #1), Gregory Street from Pace Boulevard to I Street (Priority Segment #2), and Wright Street from Pace Boulevard to P Street (Priority Segment #3) in support of enhancing connectivity to Legion Field Park, the Westside Library, and the Global Learning Academy. Concepts for each segment are attached.

Although the submitted project ranked within the Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization's (TPO) top two (2) priorities for the past two cycles, FDOT has been unable to award funding toward the project due to limited funding associated with transitioning management of the TAP program. Recently, FDOT also advised staff that components of the project will need to be funded locally, including the pedestrian lighting along all segments, specific sidewalk replacement segments along Gregory Street and the traffic calming, sidewalk bump-outs included in the yield street design along "L" Street.

To meet the program's requirements and increase the likelihood that the CRA can leverage TAP funding to construct the project to the maximum extent, the required modifications have been incorporated into the application. To ensure the application remains competitive, funding will need to

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be sought through current and future budgets and other sources to complete the required project components. Installation of the pedestrian lighting will require further assessment by a lighting specialist during the project's design phase and may be phased, dependent upon available funding. If funding is awarded, the project will likely be programmed for construction in the FDOT Work Program's fifth year.

Due to this application's time-sensitive nature, the CRA and City Council will need to consider and adopt a resolution of support for the proposed project during their January 2020 meetings to resubmit this project successfully.

PRIOR ACTION:

January 14, 2019 - The CRA adopted Resolution No. 2019-01 CRA supporting applications for transportation alternatives program funding for multi-modal facilities.

January 17, 2019 - City Council adopted Resolution No. 2019-02 supporting applications for transportation alternatives program funding for multi-modal facilities.

December 12, 2019 - City Council adopted Resolution No. 2019-71 supporting applications for transportation alternatives program funding for multi-modal facilities.

FUNDING:

Budget: \$	1,365,020	
Actual: \$	432,566 55,829	TAP Request - L Street TAP Request - Gregory Street TAP Request - Wright Street Pedestrian Lighting - L Street (Est.) Bump Outs - L Street (Est.) Pedestrian Lighting - Gregory Street (Est.) Sidewalk Replacement - Gregory Street (Est.) Pedestrian Lighting - Wright Street (Est.)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Partial funding to support the pedestrian lighting, sidewalk replacement, and bump-outs is currently available in the Fiscal Year 2021 Community Redevelopment Agency budget. However, additional funding will be needed through future budget cycles, grant funds, and other sources to complete the project.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

12/29/2020

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ATTACHMENTS:

1) Resolution No. 2021-01 CRA

2) Concept Plan

PRESENTATION: No