



Gaston County

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Public Works

Board Action

File #: 19-160

Commissioner Keigher - Public Works - To Accept a Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant for Sidewalk Infrastructure along Neal Hawkins Road and Appropriate the Required Local Match Necessary to Complete the Project (**Federal - \$1,488,462; Local - \$372,116**)

STAFF CONTACT

Ray Maxwell, PE - Public Works Director - 704-862-7551

BUDGET IMPACT

Appropriate Federal Grant Funding (80%) \$1,488,462; Local Match (20%) \$372,116

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Gaston County Public Works and Planning Department worked together to develop and submit an application for grant funding through the Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program. The purpose of the project is to encourage pedestrian movement and accessibility by constructing approximately 3,135 linear feet of sidewalk infrastructure in an unincorporated area of Gaston County. Due to the high density of existing residential dwellings, a nearby city park, a house of worship, and other commercial uses just outside the project area, the proposed sidewalk will encourage pedestrian movement/exercise in the area and increase pedestrian safety. Additionally, such an alternative mode of travel may also contribute to a reduction of vehicle mileage and emissions in terms of travel decisions that originate from within the corridor. The Gaston County Board of Commissioners provided endorsement of the grant application and approved the local match via Resolution 2018-055 dated February 27, 2018.

The Gaston Cleveland Lincoln MPO (GCLMPO) received grant applications with a total funding request of approximately \$4.3 million for the FY 2019 funding cycle. The GCLMPO funding allocation for FY 2019 was approximately \$1.49 million. Based on the evaluation of applications received, the GCLMPO CMAQ subcommittee recommended awarding the entire \$1.49 million FY 2019 allocation to the construction of a sidewalk along Neal Hawkins Road as submitted by Gaston County. Gaston County received notification of the grant award on May 30, 2018 and submitted the required grant agreement application to NCDOT in July 2018. The grant agreement was mailed by NCDOT to Gaston County on March 11, 2019.

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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2019-125	04/23/2019	RW	BH	A	A	A	A	A	AB	A	U

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Approval of this Board Action accepts the STIP# C-5606M grant award in the amount of \$1,488,462 and appropriates the required local match in the amount of \$372,116 for the construction of sidewalk infrastructure along Neal Hawkins Road to improve pedestrian mobility and reduce vehicle emissions. Additionally, approval of this Board Action authorizes the County Manager or his designee to execute said documents on behalf of Gaston County and appropriates funding for expenditure purposes. The attached Budget Change Request moves funding into the specific accounts to meet guidelines for auditing and reporting.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

BCR - CMAQ Grant and Local Match Appropriation (STIP# C-5606M)

GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST

TO: Earl Mathers COUNTY MANAGER

FROM: 4265 Public Works
 Dept. # Department Name

Ray Maxwell 4/3/2019
 Department Director's Name Date

TYPE OF REQUEST:

☐ Line Item Transfer Within Department & Fund

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Funds *

☐ Project Transfer Within Department & Fund

☒ Additional Appropriation of Funds *

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Departments*

* Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION (As it appears in the budget)	ACCOUNT NUMBER Fund - Function - Dept - Division - Object - Project xxx - xx - xxxx - xxxx - xxxxx - xxxxxx	AMOUNT Whole Dollars Only (See Note Below)
Fund Balance Appropriated	040-99-9900-0000-490000	(372,116)
CMAQ: Neal Hawkins Match	040-01-4265-4260-540006-19536	372,116
CMAQ: Neal Hawkins Sidewalk - Revenue	040-01-4265-4260-425127-19536	(1,488,462)
CMAQ: Neal Hawkins Sidewalk	040-01-4265-4260-560000-19536	1,488,462

JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:

This Budget Change Request accepts the grant award of \$1,488,462 and appropriates the local match of \$372,116 for the construction of sidewalk infrastructure along Neal Hawkins Road to improve pedestrian mobility and reduce vehicle emissions.

Note: Decreases in expenditures & increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures & decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require interfund transfer accounts.