

City Council

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance in the Amount of \$1,076,000 for the 22nd Avenue Sidewalk Project

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve on second reading the appropriation ordinance in the amount of \$1,076,000 for the 22nd Avenue Sidewalk Project.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve an ordinance to appropriate funds from a *Safe Routes to School* grant. The funds will be used to design and construct the 22nd Avenue Sidewalk Project.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

Background and Analysis:

[Same Background and Analysis as First Reading]

On April 10, 2012, City Council authorized staff to submit the 22nd Avenue Sidewalk Project, between Cain Road and Boulevard Road, for the *Safe Routes to School* grant program. The City applied for and received grant funds for this project, which was identified in the 2003 Sidewalk Program. The project will construct a 6-foot sidewalk on the south side of 22nd Avenue from Cain Road to Boulevard Road and on the north side from Wilson Street to Swanee Place.

In order to proceed with the project, the grant funds need to be appropriated. Attached is the appropriation ordinance.

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Intercity Transit is participating in this grant. They will provide education and outreach to Washington Middle School and NOVA Middle School to encourage walking and biking along this route.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The City has received multiple requests from the public to construct a sidewalk on 22nd Avenue. The community is generally supportive of this project, with concern expressed by some individuals about impacts to trees and their property. We will work with residents throughout the project to identify and address concerns where possible. The sidewalk will enhance pedestrian safety on a busy road and provide better walking access to nearby schools, parks, and transit.

Options:

- 1. Approve on second reading the appropriation ordinance in the amount of \$1,076,000 for the 22nd Avenue Sidewalk Project. This allows the project to proceed to design and construction. If approved, the project will be completed in 2014/2015.
- 2. Do not adopt the appropriation ordinance. The project will not proceed, unless another funding source is identified and the grant funds will need to be returned.

Financial Impact:

Safe Routes to School Grant Funds: \$1,076,000
Local Match (Previously Appropriated) - Utility Tax Funds: \$782,100
Local Match - Intercity Transit (in-kind services): \$41,200
Total Project Cost: \$1,899,300