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MEMORANDUM

TO: Legal and Finance Committee

FROM: Patsy Horton, Division Manager

DATE: April 21, 2020

RE: No. 20TP012 – Authorize Mayor and Finance Officer to sign Amendment #1 for the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant Agreement #715373

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) provides communities across the State of South Dakota an opportunity to compete for grant funds to enhance the intermodal transportation system and provide safe alternative transportation options throughout our community.

In 2014, the City and SDDOT entered into a Transportation Alternatives Program Grant Agreement to fund a shared use path that would provide Western Dakota Tech students and others a non-motorized transportation alternative. The shared use path would extend from the existing sidewalk near Rapid Creek at Cambell Street north then east in order to utilize the railbanked railroad right-of-way.

Since that time, staff was unable to negotiate an easement necessary to construct that portion of the path from the railroad right-of-way north to Mickelson Drive. Staff then revised the proposal, and the State agreed as a **cost saving** measure, to instead extend the shared use path adjacent to Cambell Street near Rocker Dr north to the intersection at Omaha Street/SD Highway 44. The City's revised project coincides with the SDDOT project to construct a 10' shared use path on the north side of Omaha Street between Covington Street to LaCrosse Street. Construction for both City and SDDOT projects are scheduled for 2021. The Amendment as proposed allows the City to construct the shared use path adjacent to Cambell Street and utilize the \$252,640.46 in the federally funded TAP grant award. Both the original location map and the revised project location map are attached for reference.

Based on the engineer's estimate, the project is estimated to cost \$377,075.31 for construction and engineering. The State agrees to provide up to \$252,640.46 in TAP funds, with the City's match at \$124,434.85. Any construction cost over the engineers cost estimate will then be split between the City and the State with the City paying 33% of any additional expenditures. The matching funds for this project are identified within the Parks and Recreation CIP funds under Mako Sica Trail and connection to Western Dakota Tech.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends authorizing the Mayor and Finance Officer to sign Amendment #1 to Agreement #715373.



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