

City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal Building 300 W. Washington Street Greensboro, NC 27401

Legislation Text

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Resolution Authorizing Amending Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for Aycock Street Corridor & Walker Avenue Intersection Improvements Project (U-5532 A)

Department: Transportation

Council District: 4

Public Hearing: N/A Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

Staff requests authorization to execute an Amended Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for Aycock Street Corridor & Walker Avenue Intersection Improvements Project by the City of Greensboro.

BACKGROUND:

Project U-5532 A originally involved intersection improvements within the City of Greensboro as follows: 1) reconstruction of wheelchair ramps; 2) removal of one northbound travel lane on Aycock Street north from the intersection; 3) signage; 4) pavement markings; and 5) signal modifications. The project scope has been expanded to include *installation of raised median and reconstruction of sidewalk on the east side of Aycock Street from south of Walker Avenue to north of Spring Garden Street, lighting, hand rails and landscaping to channelize pedestrians to safe crossing locations.* This intersection has been identified as the most dangerous intersection for pedestrians in the City of Greensboro based on a composite crash frequency and severity score. This section of Aycock Street was the site of a recent FHWA pedestrian safety audit and workshop from which the additional project scope was developed. UNC-G has previously requested improvements at this location and is on record as strongly supporting these intersection improvements.

The original project as well as the amended scope and increased funding amount was made possible by the action of the MPO Transportation Advisory Committee, working in cooperation with the NCDOT to establish Federal Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds to the City for this purpose. This amended agreement revises the scope and adds additional funding for this project. Construction is targeted to begin in Summer 2016. The City will be reimbursed 80% for project expenses from TAP funds and will be required to provide a 20% local match.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The project based on the original scope was to be funded in General Ledger Account 401-4561-01 as follows:

\$138,400 Federal Grant (80%)

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\$34,600	Local Bond Funds (20%)
\$173,000	

The revised municipal agreement and associated budget ordinance will increase funding as follows:

\$852,080	Federal Grant (80%)
\$213,020	Local Bond Funds (20%)
1.065,100	

A budget adjustment is required to move funds to the appropriate account.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the amended municipal agreement for the Aycock Street Corridor & Walker Avenue Intersection Improvements Project.