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Resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for General Sidewalk Improvements Project U-5532 D

Department: Transportation  
Council District: 1, 2 & 3

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### **PURPOSE:**

Authorize execution of an amended agreement reducing the budget for the General Sidewalk Improvements Project (U-5532 D) to provide for reimbursement of 80% of eligible project costs up to \$320,000.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Sidewalk construction Project U-5532 D is covered by an existing municipal agreement with NCDOT approved by City Council on March 14, 2016. The Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee, in cooperation with NCDOT, approved changes to sidewalk project U-5532 D funding at their January 22, 2017 meeting. The changes, which require revisions to the municipal agreement, will:

- change the project funding source from STP-DA to TAP-DA to optimize cash flow management;
- reduce the total reimbursable amount from \$451,040 to \$320,000 to reflect current total cost estimates and the elimination from the scope of sidewalk construction on the western side of Summit Avenue from Scott Road to Creekbroke Court. That project is on hold due to significant constructability issues that will require a roadway improvement rather than sidewalk retrofit project to resolve.

The revised agreement provides for sidewalk construction on: (1) East Wendover Avenue between Arnold Street and Waugh Street to fill the gap left by project EL-5101DD due to permitting issues that are now resolved; (2) western side of Plymouth Street from Harrington Street to Lucerne Street; (3) north side of Courtland Street from East Lake Drive intersection to existing sidewalk; and (4) east and west side of East Lake Drive from Courtland Street intersection to existing sidewalk. The purpose of this construction is to improve pedestrian safety, mobility, and accessibility, and to connect residents to needed destinations including public transportation and residential, commercial, educational, recreational and institutional uses.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

A separate budget ordinance will reduce project funding in the following Street and Sidewalk Capital Project Fund budget by \$163,800: 401-4569-01.

Project funding under the previous agreement was as follows:

\$451,040	State Grant (80%)
<u>\$112,760</u>	Local Match (20%)
\$563,800	

Project funding under the amended agreement will be reduced to the following:

\$320,000	State Grant (80%)
<u>\$80,000</u>	Local Match (20%)
\$400,000	

A budget adjustment will be required to move local matching funds out of the “Transfer” account as a result of the overall reduction.

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the amended agreement with NCDOT for General Sidewalk Improvements Project U-5532 D.