

Legislation Text

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Resolution - A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Enter into a Texas Department of Transportation Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) for Voluntary Local Government Contributions for Additional Aesthetics and Roadway Scope for the US 287 Frontage Roads (Union Pacific Railroad to Lone Star Road) Project for an Amount Not to Exceed \$586,084.53 (Street Bond Fund)

Approval of the resolution.

Approval of the resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to enter into a Texas Department of Transportation Advance Funding Agreement for Voluntary Government Contributions for additional aesthetics and scope for the US 287 Frontage Roads project.

For TxDOT to spend funds or other resources on a transportation project with a local government, a written contract must be executed between the parties. TxDOT executes these contracts through an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA). These Advance Funding Agreements outline which party is responsible for conducting the work and procuring property, goods or services, such as: right-of-way, engineering plans, utility relocations, environmental studies, construction services and funding.

TxDOT designed the US 287 Frontage Roads from the Union Pacific Railroad to Lone Star Road as an inhouse project. During the design phase aesthetics were not included. The City has requested several aesthetic elements be added to the project. In addition, the design limits of the project did not include repairing a raised pavement section that exists between the Texas Health Hospital driveway and Lone Star Road.

This AFA is for funding aesthetic improvements that include black powder coating: traffic signals at the US 287 Frontage Roads/Lone Star Road, streetlights on the bridge, bridge rail and ornamental fence. In addition, the work on Lone Star Road bridge will include painting the bridge and columns the same colors as the Broad Street and Walnut Creek Drive bridges along with adding the street name lettering to the bridge. Aesthetic improvements, which were outside of the original project scope, will be added to the existing Heritage Parkway bridge that includes replacing the existing galvanized rail with black powder coated ornamental fence, paint the bridge the same colors as the Broad Street and Walnut Creek Drive bridges, in addition to adding street name lettering. Scope that will also be added is to modify the existing Lone Star Road/Texas Health Hospital driveway to remove a severe hump that creates issues for ambulances entering the hospital along with adding anti-graffiti paint to the MSE walls that are along the project. These changes are to be completed in a fixed amount not to exceed \$586,084.53.

The Advance Funding Agreement outlines that the City of Mansfield is responsible for 100% of the financial costs of proposed additions to the project. The State will perform and manage all the work for the project. The proposed improvements will add a consistent aesthetic along the US 287 corridor and improve a safety issue that currently exists at the Texas Health Hospital driveway.

The Assistant Director of Public Works - Transportation, will be in attendance at the meeting to answer Council's questions.

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