



CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

November 24, 2009

SUBJECT: Resolution to support a grant application for the State Transportation Enhancement Program (STEP)

SUBMITTED BY: Ray McDonald, Director of Parks & Community Services

REFERENCE NO: Resolution No. 09-1324

ACTION REQUESTED:

Hold public hearing and consider approval of Resolution No. 09-1324 for the purpose of participating in the State Transportation Enhancement Program through the North Central Texas Council of Governments and authorizing application for grant funding for the construction of a bicycle and pedestrian trail as part of the Regional Veloweb System.

ALTERNATIVES:

- Deny request
- Table

SUMMARY OF SUBJECT:

The Veloweb alignment, introduced in the Mobility 2010 Plan is a 644 mile, designated off-street trail network that has been planned to provide bicycle and pedestrian connections in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. If approved, staff plans to submit an application for a trail connection of about 1,000 feet that will extend west from the existing trail within Creekwood Estates, go under the five (5) highway bridges at the SH 121 and SH 157 merge area just north of Mid-Cities Boulevard, to the southeast corner of the Glade Parks development (called the "Creekwood Connector Trail"). Also under consideration for submittal is the segment that will provide the link between the SH 121 southbound service road and Heritage Drive (called the "Intercity Linkage Trail"). As part of the grant application process, we are asking that the Euless City Council consider adoption of this resolution in support of this project which is recognized by NCTCOG as part of the Regional Veloweb System, as well as identified as a top priority in the Needs Assessment and Identification section of the Parks Master Plan.

This project was submitted in the City's FY 2010 Capital Improvements Program for funding, contingent upon the receipt of STEP grant approval.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Revenue Sources:

Expenditure Accounts:

Budgeted Fiscal Year(s):

Estimated Expenditure:

Over/Under Projection By:

Other Comments:

Up to 80% of eligible project costs can be reimbursed with federal funds. At least 20% of the project's allowable costs must be provided by the nominating entity, as the local funding match.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- Resolution No. 09-1324
- Aerial maps of trail area(s)

APPROVED BY:

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City Manager's Office

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City Secretary's Office