



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

County Board Agenda Item Meeting of December 10, 2011

DATE: November 30, 2011

SUBJECT: Approval of Two Project Administration Agreement Amendments between the County Board and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT) for use of FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds.

C. M. RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve the attached Appendix A - Agreement Amendment No. 1 to the Standard Project Administration Agreement, dated May, 15 2007, between the County Board and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT) for use of FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds in the amount of \$390,000 for improvements to the Arlington Blvd Trail (UPC #70317); authorize the County Manager to execute the amended Agreement and other related documents on behalf of the County Board and to accept any funds awarded to the County subject to approval of such Agreement and documents as to form by the County Attorney.
2. Approve the attached Appendix A - Agreement Amendment No. 1 to the Standard Project Administration Agreement, dated March, 31 2011, between the County Board and the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT) for use of FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds in the amount of \$212,000 for reconstruction of the Route 110 Trail (UPC #97836); authorize the County Manager to execute the amended Agreement and other related documents on behalf of the County Board and to accept any funds awarded to the County subject to approval of such Agreement and documents as to form by the County Attorney.

ISSUES: County Board approval is required for amendments to Standard Project Administration Agreements with the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT).

SUMMARY: The Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT) has awarded Arlington County \$390,000 in FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds for improvements to the Arlington Blvd Trail and \$212,000 in TE funds for reconstruction of the Route 110 Trail. In order to receive these funds, VDOT requires that the County approve an amendment to the existing Standard Project Administration Agreement for each project by executing Appendix A – Agreement Amendment No. 1 (Attachment #1 and #2).

County Manager:

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County Attorney:

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Staff: Kelly Cornell, DES, Transportation Planning Bureau

BACKGROUND: The Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program is a federal funding program managed by the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT). The TE program was first initiated as part of the 1991 Inter-modal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA). This program is currently authorized under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA-LU). Unlike the larger programs funding highways and transit services, TE was intended to focus specifically on projects that “go above and beyond” mobility needs to offer enhancements to the quality of life in American communities. Arlington County has successfully applied for and received funding through the TE program on several occasions.

If approved by the County Board, FY 2012 TE funding in the amount of \$390,000 would be awarded for improvements to the Arlington Blvd Trail and \$212,000 would be awarded for reconstruction of the Route 110 Trail.

DISCUSSION: In 2007, the Arlington Blvd Trail Improvements project received \$160,000 in Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT). To secure funding for the completion of the Arlington Blvd Trail Improvements project, Arlington County submitted a grant application to VDOT in December 2010 for \$456,000 in additional TE funding. The project was partially funded and awarded \$390,000 in FY 2012 TE funds. The remaining \$82,500 needed to fully fund this project will be sought through FY 2014 TE funding or other funding sources. In total, these funds will allow for the completion of numerous improvements to the bicycle and pedestrian experience on the Arlington Boulevard Trail between 10th Street and Washington Boulevard.

In 2011, the Route 110 Trail Reconstruction project received \$246,000 in TE funds from VDOT. To secure funding for the completion of the Route 110 Trail Reconstruction project, Arlington County submitted an application to VDOT in December 2010 for \$212,000 in additional TE funding. The project was fully funded and awarded \$212,000 in FY 2012 TE funds. These funds will allow for the widening and paving of the Route 110 Trail along with various safety improvements.

In order to receive these funds, VDOT requires that the County approve an amendment to the existing Standard Project Administration Agreement for each project by executing Appendix A – Agreement Amendment No. 1 (Attachments #1 and #2).

FISCAL IMPACT: The Arlington Blvd Trail Improvements project has been awarded \$390,000 in FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT). Because the TE program is a reimbursement program with a 20% match, the County will be responsible for a local match of \$97,500 for this project. This project was previously awarded \$160,000 in TE funding with a local match of \$40,000. This brings the total estimated eligible project costs for this project to \$687,500 and the estimated locality reimbursement for this project to \$550,000. Local match for this project will come from general Obligation Bonds approved in November 2010. Additional funding required to complete this project is estimated at \$82,500. Arlington County anticipates submitting a grant application request for FY 2014 TE funding to complete this project.

The Route 110 Trail Reconstruction project has been awarded \$212,000 in FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation (VDOT). Because the TE program is a reimbursement program with a 20% match, the County will be responsible for a local match of \$53,000 for this project. This project was previously awarded \$246,000 in TE funding with a local match of \$61,500. This brings the total estimated eligible project costs for this project to \$572,500 and the estimated locality reimbursement for this project to \$458,000. Local match for this project will come from general Obligation Bonds approved in November 2010. Additional funding in the amount of \$202,000 has been secured for this project through FY 2004 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program funds and other funding sources.

Attachments:

1. Appendix A – Agreement Amendment No. 1 for use of FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds in the amount of \$390,000 for improvements to the Arlington Blvd Trail (UPC #70317).
2. Appendix A – Agreement Amendment No. 1 for use of FY 2012 Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds in the amount of \$212,000 for reconstruction of the Route 110 Trail (UPC #97836).

Appendix A – Agreement Amendment No. 1

Project Number: EN10-000-109, P101, C501		UPC 97836		Locality: County of Arlington	
Project Name: Route 110 Trail Reconstruction					
Locality DUNS Number: 56285042			Locality Zip Code +4: 22201-5404		
Project Narrative					
Scope: Reconstruction of a multi-use trail connecting the Pentagon and Arlington National Cemetery Metrorail Stations.					
Locality Project Manager Contact Info: David Goodman, Arlington County Division of Transportation, 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22201, (703) 228-3709, dgoodman@arlingtonva.us					
Department Project Coordinator Contact Info: Doug Miller, VDOT Northern Virginia District, 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax VA 22030 (703) 259-1793, Douglas.Miller@VDOT.Virginia.gov					
Project Costs and Reimbursement					
Phase	Estimated Project Costs	Estimated Eligible Project Costs	Estimated Eligible VDOT Project Expenses	Estimated Reimbursement to Locality	
Preliminary Engineering	\$222,500				
Right-of-Way & Utilities	\$0				
Construction	\$552,000				
Total Estimated Cost	\$774,500	\$572,500	\$15,000	\$443,000	
Total Maximum Reimbursement by Locality to VDOT				N/A	
Total Maximum Reimbursement by VDOT to Locality (may be reduced by eligible VDOT project expenses)				\$458,000	
Project Financing					
A	B	C	D	E	
Transportation Enhancement (80%)	Local Match (20%)		Local Funds (100%)	Aggregate Allocations (A+B+C+D=)	
\$458,000	\$114,500		\$202,000	\$774,500	
Program and Project Specific Funding Requirements					
This project will be administered in accordance with the "Enhancement Program Procedure Manual" and the "Locally Administered Projects (LAP) Manual".					
Any expenses above the combined federal TE, local match, and state funds will be at 100% project sponsor cost.					
100% of eligible VDOT project expenses will be recovered as follows:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20% will be deducted from reimbursement requests. • 80% will be deducted from the Federal Enhancement allocation amount. 					
Any ineligible items identified throughout project development will not be reimbursable.					
For Transportation Enhancement projects, the LOCALITY shall maintain the Project, or have it maintained, in a manner satisfactory to the Department or its authorized representatives, and make ample provision each year for such maintenance unless otherwise agreed to by the DEPARTMENT.					
The Department will conduct all environmental studies necessary to complete an environmental document in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The applicant is responsible for implementing any environmental commitments from the environmental document. In addition, the applicant is responsible for obtaining any water quality permits and conducting any required hazardous materials due diligence efforts. VDOT's estimated cost for the environmental document and studies will be provided to the applicant and deducted from the project funds.					
In accordance with CTB policy, this project must be completed and the \$458,000 Enhancement allocation expended by October 1, 2014 or the project may be subject to de-allocation.					

This attachment is certified and made an official attachment to this document by the parties of this agreement

Authorized Locality Official

date

VDOT Enhancement Program Manager

date