



Item 6

Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: July 23, 2012

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Department Head: Steven M. Manilla, P.E., County Executive-TNR

Sponsoring Court Member: Commissioner Davis, Precinct One

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Consider and take appropriate action on a request to use available Precinct Two 2001 Bond projects savings to fund the engineering and Right-of-Way acquisition for Weiss Lane Bridge Improvements in Precinct One.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Weiss Lane Safety Improvements and Weiss Lane Bridge are two bond projects approved by voters in the 2011 bond election. Weiss Lane Safety Improvements project will improve existing narrow two-lane road with two 12' travel lands, 4' paved shoulders and turn lanes at key intersections. Weiss Lane Bridge project will replace existing unsafe one-lane bridge with a new two-lane bridge. Weiss Lane Safety Improvements project was set up as a public-public partnership project with City of Pflugerville as approximately 40% of the project is located within City of Pflugerville's jurisdiction. City of Pflugerville volunteered and agreed to take the lead in managing both Weiss Lane Safety Improvements and Weiss Lane Bridge projects. Schedule of these two projects was set for the design to begin in 2014 as funding from City of Pflugerville will not be available until then. Pflugerville ISD is planning for a new middle school close to the intersection of Weiss Lane and Cele Road. Pflugerville ISD Board Members have met with Commissioner and TNR staff to express their desire for an earlier completion of both projects as the traffic will increase after the school opening plus Weiss Lane and bridge is on the school bus route. TNR agrees to expedite the implementation of Weiss Lane Bridge project as it is completely within County's jurisdiction. The Weiss Lane Safety Improvements project will need City of Pflugerville's concurrence on changing the schedule as the engineering cost will be funded by City of Pflugerville. Pflugerville ISD will meet with City of Pflugerville to discuss expediting the Weiss Lane Safety Improvements project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval of using 2001 bond projects savings to fund the engineering and right-of-way acquisition costs so to expedite the implementation of the Weiss Lane Bridge project.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Weiss Lane was located in Precinct Two during 2011 bond referendum. The project is now located in Precinct One after the redistricting. County Attorney's Office, Auditor's Office, and PBO have reviewed and concurred with this recommendation of using 2001 Precinct Two bond projects savings to fund the engineering and right-of-way acquisition for the Weiss Lane Bridge project.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

\$150,000 of Precinct Two 2001 bond savings has been reserved in 1490190000 4036 521040 600013 for the engineering and right-of-way acquisition of this project.

ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS:

Location Map

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

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