



City of West Allis

Resolution: R-2015-0159

7525 W. Greenfield Ave.
West Allis, WI 53214

File Number: R-2015-0159

Sponsor(s): Public Works Committee

Final Action:

AUG 4 2015

Resolution authorizing and directing the Director of Public Works/City Engineer to enter into a State/Municipal Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the Design and Construction of the Cross Town Connector Bike and Pedestrian Trail Bridge over State Trunk Highway 100.

WHEREAS, bicycling and pedestrian modes of travel play an important role in moving people in Wisconsin's metropolitan areas and represent a key alternative means of transportation; and,

WHEREAS, as the Milwaukee Metropolitan area moves into the 21 Century, it is likely that even more people will be utilizing alternative means of transportation such as bicycling and pedestrian travel for commuting, utilitarian, social, recreational or exercise purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation notified the City that this project had been selected for inclusion in the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program back on August 9, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, the first phase of the adjacent trail project has already been completed in 2013 and will eventually include the construction and development of WE Energies right-of-way as well as various on and off-street improvements to create an east-west bicycle and pedestrian trail that will eventually extend 5 miles across the entire City and connect/intersect other existing state and county bikeways and trails; and,

WHEREAS, this project is most simply described as the implementation of Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission's (SEWRPC) Regional Bicycle Plan: 2010. The Cross Town Connector Trail will pass by several schools, some of the City's largest employers, several City buildings and gathering places, and five of the City's eight Tax Incremental Districts. The trail will allow for a safer regional connection by linking the Glacial Drumlin State Trail, the Waukesha County New Berlin Recreational Trail, and Milwaukee County's Oak Leaf and Hank Aaron State Trails. This project will effectively link Waukesha County, and points west, to Milwaukee County and the Lakefront. This project will provide an attractive and safe alternative connection between Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties by serving as an excellent corridor for recreational use and those commuting to work, school, baseball games, and other events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West Allis that the Director of Public Works/City Engineer be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the Project (State ID 1693-32-04/74), a copy of the State/Municipal Agreement is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total estimated project cost is \$1,230,971 of which up to \$983,977 was approved for funding by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (80% federal/state share with the remaining 20% local share to be funded by Bond Funds).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Public Works/City Engineer will forward a certified copy of this Resolution, together with the executed Project Agreement, to the office of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

ADOPTED AUG 4 2015

Monica Schultz
Monica Schultz, City Clerk

APPROVED 2/6/15

Dan Devine
Dan Devine, Mayor