

City of West Allis

Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing and directing the City Engineer to enter into a State/Municipal Agreement for a Highway Safety Improvement Project with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the design, construction and other related work on the traffic signal improvement of South 76th Street intersection with W. Becher Street.

WHEREAS, the South 76th Street intersection with W. Becher Street has a high crash rate; and,

WHEREAS, exclusive left turn lanes and signal heads above each lane have been shown to improve safety at intersections; and,

WHEREAS, the South 76th Street intersection with W. Becher Street had 61 crashes in the five years between 2013 to 2017 for a crash rate of 2.26 crashes per million entering vehicles which is 1.7 times higher than the statewide average for four-legged intersections with entering traffic volumes less than 15,000 vehicles per day; and,

WHEREAS, the WisDOT has notified the City that this project has been selected for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) federal funding which pays 90% of the cost for design and construction to improve safety; and,

WHEREAS, the State/Municipal Agreement includes the following major items; Design, Construction and State Review for the traffic signal improvement project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Common Council of the City of West Allis that the City Engineer be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the WisDOT for the Project (State ID 2160-05-01/71), a copy of the State/Municipal Agreement is attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the total eligible estimated design and construction project cost is \$645,438 of which \$579,994 is the Federal share and the remaining \$65,444 is the local municipal share. It is understood that West Allis will pay to the State all costs incurred by the State in connection with this project, which exceed the Federal financing commitments, or are ineligible for Federal financing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Engineer forwards a certified copy of this Resolution, together with the executed State/Municipal Agreement, to the office of the WisDOT and take whatever further action is required to initiate and affect the street improvement design.