

Legislation Text

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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT PAYMENT

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PAYMENT OF \$170,000.00 TO THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE ADDITIONAL COST OF A SHARED USE PATH ON THE HIGHWAY 112 BRIDGE ACROSS INTERSTATE 49

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby approves a payment of \$170,000.00 to the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department for the additional cost of a shared use path on the Highway 112 bridge across Interstate 49.

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Chris Brown	7/2/2015	Engineering / Development Services Department	
Submitted By	Submitted Date	Division / Department	
	Action Recommendat	ion:	
Approval of a Payment to the Arkansas Additional Cost of a shared use path ac	e , 1	Department in the Amount of \$170,000 for the over I-49	

Budget Impact:

Account Number		Fund			
06035.2200		Transportation Bond Street Improvements (Garland (North to Melmar))			
Project Number		Project Title			
Budgeted Item?	Yes	Current Budget	\$	683,301.00	
		Funds Obligated	\$	422.50	
	_	Current Balance	\$	682,878.50	
Does item have a cost?	Yes	Item Cost	\$	170,000.00	
Budget Adjustment Attached?	No	Budget Adjustment			
#		Remaining Budget	\$	512,878.50	

Original Contract Number:

Approval Date:

Comments:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO

MEETING OF JULY 21, 2015

TO: Mayor and City Council

THRU: Jeremy Pate, Development Services Director

FROM: Chris Brown, City Engineer

DATE: July 2, 2015

SUBJECT: Approval of a Payment to the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department in the Amount of \$170,000 for the Additional Cost of a shared use path across the Highway 112 Bridge over I-49

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff and the City Council Transportation Committee recommend approval of a cost share with the AHTD in the amount of \$170,000 for the additional cost of a shared use path across the Highway 112 Bridge over I-49.

BACKGROUND:

The AHTD, as part of their I-49 improvement program, is planning to widen the bridge on Highway 112 (Garland Avenue) to 5 lanes. The plan presented at a public meeting in September 2014 included 5 12-foot wide travel lanes, with 5-foot wide bike lanes on either side of the road, along with 6.5-foot wide sidewalks.

Subsequent to the meeting, staff presented a cross section to the AHTD, using 11-foot wide travel lanes and no bike lanes; with a reallocation of the lane width and bike lane space to a 12-foot wide side path along the west side of the road.

DISCUSSION:

In a letter dated June 18, 2015, the AHTD responded to the City's request by providing a proposed section with a 14-foot wide side path and 5-foot wide buffer area, and requesting the City's participation in the extra cost of the shared use path, which the AHTD calculated to be \$170,000. Staff reviewed the proposal, and presented it to the Transportation Committee at their meeting on June 30th. It should be noted that the original cross section proposed by the AHTD, is 86'2" total width, and the currently proposed cross section is only 6 inches wider than that at 86'8", so it would appear that the cross section is essentially the same. However, due to the importance of this shared use path, as a bicycle and pedestrian route across I-49, and a connection between trails on either side of I-49, the Committee recommended approval of the cost share amount as proposed.

The Committee also requested consideration of a parapet wall between the roadway and the shared use path. I discussed this with the AHTD; their response was that design standards do not require a wall, and that while an additional solid concrete wall is not necessary, there may

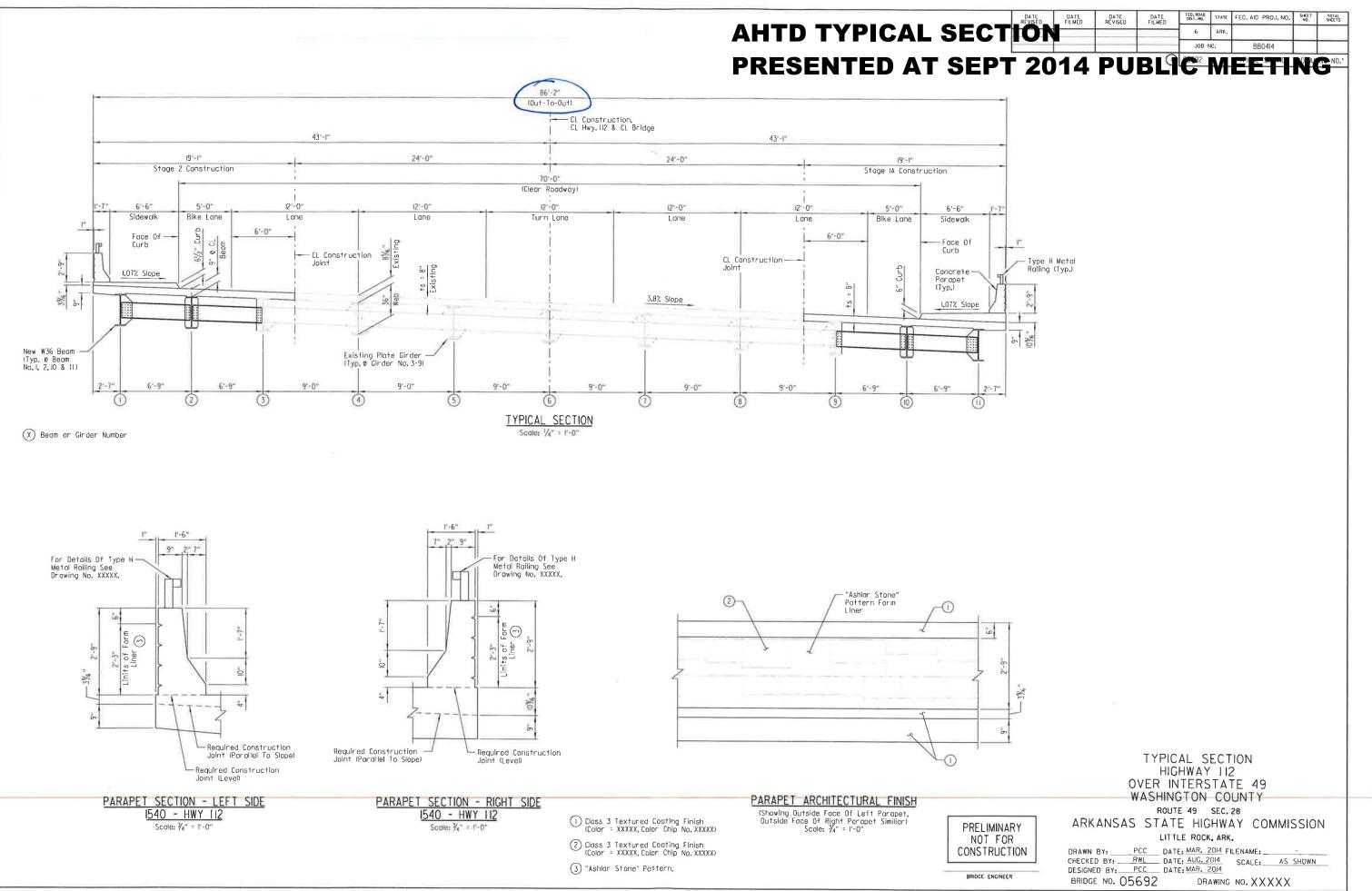
be other considerations for separation of pedestrians/bicyclists and vehicles. Staff will continue to pursue this item with the AHTD to develop solutions that may be able to be incorporated into the design.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

The City, through an existing cost share agreement with the AHTD, is participating in the cost of this project, with a budgeted amount of \$4.2 million. The City's agreement stipulates that the full cost of right of way and utilities, and \$1.5 million towards the construction cost of the section of Highway 112 between North Street and Janice Street (the recently completed segment) will be paid to the AHTD by the time construction on the Highway 112 interchange begins. The actual amount to be paid under this agreement is \$4,015,000; therefore, \$185,000 is available to pay for this additional cost share request.

Attachments:

Letter from Mike Fugett, AHTD Asst. Chief Engineer for Design Typical Section Presented at September 2014 Public Meeting Typical Section Recommended by the City Proposed Typical Section by AHTD



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