

RESOLUTION NO. 45-2017

To Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Partnering Agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) and Other Associated Documents for Federal Attributable Funding for the Intersection Project at Huntley, Wilson Bridge, and Worthington Galena Roads.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) annually sub-allocates federal transportation funding to MORPC for utilization in the Central Ohio region; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Worthington made application for Federal Attributable Funding to MORPC in 2012 for intersection improvements at Huntley, Wilson Bridge and Worthington Galena Roads (otherwise known as the Northeast Gateway Project) and was approved for such funding; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Worthington submitted an update and a request for additional federal funds related to increased project costs associated with the project and was awarded the increased amount; and,

WHEREAS, MORPC has prepared a partnering agreement between the City of Worthington and MORPC related to the funding.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign and execute the partnering agreement with MORPC that is attached as a part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute other documents with MORPC and/or ODOT related to the acceptance and utilization of the federal transportation funding and/or the execution of this project.

SECTION 3. That the Clerk be and hereby is instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book.

Adopted July 17, 2017

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council



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July 7, 2017

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Dear Mr. Greeson and Mr. Whited:

MORPC receives an allocation of federal transportation funding in accordance with federal transportation law and by Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) policy. MORPC has established *Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funds* (Policies) to guide the solicitation, selection and administration of these funds. The Policies were last adopted in April 2016.

Beginning in the spring of 2016, MORPC requested updated cost and schedule information from previous funding commitments and solicited, evaluated and selected projects for new funding commitments. This process concluded with the adoption of the program of projects to receive MORPC-attributable funding via Resolution T-1-17 on March 7, 2017. Your project, Worthington-Galena Road from Wilson Bridge/Huntley roads to Sancus Boulevard, Major Widening/Intersection Modification, received a significantly increased commitment of future MORPC-attributable funding by this resolution.

In accordance with the Policies, entities that receive funding are to enter into a partnering agreement that specifies the scope and schedule of the project receiving the funding commitment as well as the project sponsor and MORPC's commitment to be knowledgeable and deliver the project through ODOT's Project Development Process (PDP). This requires that the project sponsor and their consultant, if applicable, attend quarterly meetings and provide other information to MORPC so that progress through the PDP can be monitored. The project manager, Dan Whited, should remain in contact with MORPC staff and communicate any changes to the scope, cost and schedule promptly. This letter, once signed by both parties, constitutes the partnering agreement.

Via MORPC Resolution T-1-17, funding for Worthington-Galena Road from Wilson Bridge/Huntley Roads to Sancus Boulevard, Major Widening/Intersection Modification (PID 95516) has been awarded for the following phases.

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Matt Greeson
Chair

Rory McGuinness
Vice Chair

Karen J. Angelou
Secretary

Phase	State Fiscal Year	Amount
ROW	2018	\$2,142,050
CON	2022	\$8,667,081

ROW funding coincides with the current schedule for the ROW phase. For the construction phase, MORPC was not able to commit funding in the fiscal year proposed by the schedule in the Final Application. If MORPC-attributable funding is not available when the project is ready, financing options include a State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan, a loan from another Metropolitan Planning Organization, or other financing mechanisms. MORPC will work with the City of Worthington in pursuing these options.

To ensure the implementation of this schedule and track the availability of funding for this and other projects, project milestones will be monitored. The dates listed below for Right-of-Way Authorization and the Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT will be used to establish the dates that will trigger penalties per the Policies if not met.

Milestone	Scheduled Date	Trigger Date for Score Reduction	Trigger Date for Ineligibility
Right-of-Way Authorization	9/21/2017	9/21/2018	9/21/2019
Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT	5/8/2019	12/31/2021	12/31/2022

As outlined in the Policies, if the ROW or construction encumbrance is delayed beyond the fiscal year in which funds are committed above, future applications submitted for MORPC-attributable funding will have their score reduced by 5 points; if the ROW or construction encumbrance is delayed by more than one year beyond the fiscal year in which funds are committed above, the sponsoring jurisdiction will be ineligible to submit new projects for MORPC-attributable funding. Penalties will be applied until the milestone creating the penalty is complete.

Additionally, projects that miss obligation dates that result in the loss of funding to the region will have their federal share reduced by 10 percentage points (typically from 80 percent to 70 percent).

Since the milestone for Final Plans and Bid Package Submittal to ODOT is delayed beyond December 31, 2018, MORPC requires the project sponsor to submit an update in spring of 2018.

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See the Policies for additional information and don't hesitate to contact MORPC staff with any questions.

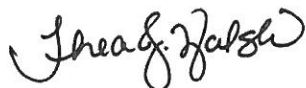
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thea J. Walsh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T" and a decorative flourish at the end.

Thea J. Walsh, AICP
Director
Transportation Systems & Funding

TJW:RN:bsn

MORPC agrees to fund the Worthington-Galena Road from Wilson Bridge/Huntley Roads to Sancus Boulevard, Major Widening/Intersection Modification project in the amounts shown above according to the included schedule, contingent upon MORPC's continued federal funding. The City of Worthington agrees to the amounts shown above and the included schedule and is aware of the potential penalties of failing to maintain that schedule. Changes to the scope, cost and schedule as outlined in this agreement must be approved in accordance with the Policies.



Director
Transportation Systems & Funding
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

7/7/2017

Date

Project Manager/CEO
City of Worthington

Date