



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 9

SUBJECT:

Interlocal Agreement: Funding Installation of Advance Warning Flashing Beacon at Lady Bird Johnson High School

SUMMARY:

An ordinance approving the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to contribute City Council District 9 Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 to Bexar County for the installation of three sets of advance school flashing beacons near Lady Bird Johnson High School campus.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Lady Bird Johnson High School is located in north central San Antonio within Council District 9 near the intersection of Bulverde Road and TPC Parkway. While many of the students who attend Johnson High School reside in San Antonio, the main roadway to the school is through Bulverde Road, located in Bexar County near the school. There are currently school zones on Bulverde Road and TPC Parkway within Bexar County that only have static signage for the zone and no school flashers. As a result, many drivers do not abide by the lower school speed limit and often speed while students walk and drive to the school.

To help heighten motorist attention to the existing school zones, Council District 9 has requested overhead school flashing beacons be installed on Bulverde Road and TPC Parkway. Since these flashers are located within Bexar County, Bexar County Public Works agency owns, installs, and maintains the flashers.

To expedite the installation of these flashers, Council District 9 has agreed to fund the installation cost for the flashers using funds available from the NAMP fund balance. Once installed, Bexar County will operate and maintain the advance school flashing beacons.

ISSUE:

This ordinance approves the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to contribute City Council District 9 Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program (NAMP) funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 to Bexar County for the installation of three sets of advance school flashing beacons near Lady Bird Johnson High School campus.

To help heighten motorist attention to the existing school zones, Council District 9 has requested to pay for the installation cost for the three sets of advance school flashers using funds available from the NAMP fund balance. Once the funding is provided to the County, the County will oversee and administer the construction of the flashers. Following completion of the flasher installation, Bexar County will provide and pay for all maintenance, equipment and services necessary to maintain the beacon flashers.

ALTERNATIVES:

As an alternative, City Council could choose not to approve the Interlocal Agreement. However, the County would then have to seek other funding to install the school flashers, which may significantly increase the time and potentially the costs to install the flashers.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to contribute City Council District 9 Neighborhood Access and Mobility Program funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 to Bexar County for the installation of three sets of advance school flashing beacons near Lady Bird Johnson High School campus.

