



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 5

SUBJECT:

Funding Reallocation: Lone Star Boulevard Area Streets Project

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the project cancelation and reallocation of \$4,937,343 from the 2017 Bond Program Streets Proposition Lone Star Boulevard Area Streets Project in Council District 5 to Probandt Street (South Alamo Street to US Hwy 90) and District 5 Pedestrian Mobility & Streets both remaining 2017 Bond Program Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks Proposition projects in Council District 5. Funding is available from the 2017 General Obligation Bond Program funds and included in the FY 2024 – FY 2029 Capital Improvement Program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On May 6, 2017, voters approved the 2017 Bond Program authorizing \$5,000,000 under the Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks Proposition to reconstruct and widen Lone Star Boulevard with leveraged funding. A partner was secured through an executed letter of commitment before the Bond was passed. The letter detailed the City's commitment to contributing the \$5,000,000 million towards a development project to ensure the reconstruction of Lone Star Boulevard. The initial partner withdrew from the commitment, and over the past several years, there have been efforts to engage with potential new partners; however, no new partners with solid commitments have

materialized. To date, \$62,656.87 has been spent, with \$4,937,343 remaining in the project.

With Council District 5's support, Public Works recommends canceling the Lone Star Area Streets project and reallocating the remaining funds to Probandt Street (South Alamo Street to US Hwy 90) and District 5 Pedestrian Mobility & Streets, both remaining 2017 Bond Program Streets, Bridges & Sidewalks Proposition projects in Council District 5.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the project cancellation and reallocation of \$4,937,343 remaining in the 2017 Bond Program Streets Proposition Lone Star Boulevard Area Streets Project in Council District 5 to Probandt Street (South Alamo Street to US Hwy 90) in the amount of \$4,000,000 and District 5 Ped Mobility Streets in the amount of \$937,343 both remaining 2017 Bond Program Streets Proposition projects in Council District 5.

There has yet to be any progress on securing a new partner for the Lone Star Boulevard Area Streets Project to complete the original scope of work and provide leveraged funding. The Probandt Street (South Alamo Street to US Hwy 90) project was initially scoped in collaboration with TxDOT to reduce the vehicular travel lanes, add pedestrian amenities, and, once complete, be transferred to the City to maintain per the turnback agreement. TxDOT no longer supports the design of reducing vehicular travel lanes and has removed the street from the transfer agreement. TxDOT's reversal has resulted in a need for the project to be redesigned in accordance with TxDOT standards, and the \$4,000,000 in additional funds are needed to support the project. The \$937,361 will be used towards additional pedestrian improvements in Council District 5.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternatively, the City Council could choose not to cancel or reallocate the remaining funds and continue to seek a new partner to reconstruct Lone Star Boulevard; however, this could further delay the project, resulting in higher prices and the \$4,937,343 remaining balance unspent.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance authorizing the project cancellation and reallocation of \$4,937,343 from the 2017 Bond Program Streets Proposition Lone Star Boulevard Area Streets Project in Council District 5 to Probandt Street (South Alamo Street to US Hwy 90) in the amount of \$4,000,000 and District 5 Ped Mobility Streets in the amount of \$937,343 both remaining 2017 Bond Program Streets Proposition projects located in Council District 5.