



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 9

SUBJECT:

Funding Agreement: Installation of Advanced Warning Flashing Beacons at Cornerstone Christian Schools

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Funding Agreement between the Cornerstone Christian Schools and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$84,128.00 of which \$42,064.00 will be provided from Cornerstone Christian Schools and \$42,064.00 is the City's match contribution. This ordinance also authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of these funds from Cornerstone Christian Schools to the FY 2023 School Pedestrian Safety Program project for their share of construction related expenses for the purchase and installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the Cornerstone Christian Schools campus located in Council District 9. Funding for the City's match of \$42,064.00 is available from the General Fund and included in FY 2023 – FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Since October 2008, the City of San Antonio has offered the School Flashing Beacon Cost Share Program funded through the City's School Pedestrian Safety Improvement Program. Schools

interested in installing or enhancing existing flashing warning beacons are eligible to receive a 50% match of actual cost from the City up to \$50,000.00.

Program participants have included Incarnate Word High School in March 2010, School of Science & Technology in April 2011, IDEA Public School South Flores in October 2016, Islamic Academy of San Antonio in February 2019, Carvajal Elementary School in 2020, Anne Frank Inspire Academy in 2021, and most recently G.W. Brackenridge High School in 2022.

Cornerstone Christian Schools submitted a written request to participate in the School Flashing Beacon Cost Share Program for their campus at 17702 NW Military Highway between Shavano Ranch Road and Calle del Oro in Council District 9. A traffic engineering study and evaluation completed by Public Works in response to the submitted request for the School Flashing Beacon Cost Share Program supports the installation of two advanced warning flashing beacons near the Cornerstone Christian Schools campus to help heighten motorist attention to the existing school zone warning traffic signs.

ISSUE:

This ordinance approves the execution of a Funding Agreement between Cornerstone Christian Schools and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$42,064.00 for acceptance of these funds from Cornerstone Christian Schools for their share of construction related expenses for the purchase and installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the Cornerstone Christian Schools campus located in Council District 9; and authorizes the appropriation of these funds in the amount of \$42,064.00 from Cornerstone Christian Schools to the FY 2023 School Pedestrian Safety Program included in the FY 2023 – FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program.

Cornerstone Christian Schools will provide for the purchase and installation of two advanced warning flashing beacons near the Cornerstone Christian Schools campus between Shavano Ranch Road and Calle del Oro, which will include two mast arm-mounted solar-powered flashing beacon assemblies. Cornerstone Christian Schools has requested the City's services to install the necessary equipment for the flashing beacon assembly to help heighten motorist attention to the existing school traffic warning signs.

The estimated cost for installing two advanced warning flashing beacons is \$84,128.00. Cornerstone Christian Schools will fund 50% of the total amount, \$42,064.00, and the City will fund the remaining 50%. Should the total project cost exceed the City's estimate, Cornerstone Christian Schools will contribute 50% of the funds required to complete the project and the City will fund the remaining 50% of the actual cost up to \$50,000.00.

The City will provide and be responsible for all equipment, personnel and related services necessary to complete the construction of this installation. The City will manage and maintain the two advanced warning flashing beacons following construction.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to approve the Funding Agreement with Cornerstone Christian Schools. However, the City would lose a financial partner in providing school zone safety improvements and any future installations would be 100% funded by the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approving the execution of a Funding Agreement between Cornerstone Christian Schools and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$42,064.00 for the acceptance of these funds from Cornerstone Christian Schools for their share of construction related expenses for the purchase and installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the Cornerstone Christian Schools campus.