



City of San Antonio

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DEPARTMENT: Public Works Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Razi Hosseini

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: District 1

SUBJECT:

Funding Agreement: G.W. Brackenridge High School for Advanced Warning School Flashing Beacons Installation

SUMMARY:

An ordinance approving the execution of a Funding Agreement between San Antonio Independent School District and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$42,064.00 for the acceptance of these funds from San Antonio Independent School District for their share of construction-related expenses for the installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the G.W. Brackenridge High School located in Council District 1, and authorizing the amending of the FY 2022 - FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program with funds in the amount of \$42,064.00 from the San Antonio Independent School District to the FY 2022 School Pedestrian Safety Project.

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, and most recently Anne Frank Inspire Academy in 2021.

San Antonio Independent School District submitted a request to participate in the School Flashing Beacon Cost Share Program for the G.W. Brackenridge High School, a public high school located at 400 Eagleland Drive between South St. Mary's Street and East Guenther Street in Council District 1. 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 installing two advanced warning flashing beacons near the G.W. Brackenridge High School to help draw motorist attention to the existing school warning signs.

ISSUE:

This ordinance approves the execution of a Funding Agreement between the San Antonio Independent School District and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$42,064.00 for the acceptance of these funds from San Antonio Independent School District for their share of construction-related expenses for the installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the G.W. Brackenridge High School located in Council District 1.

San Antonio Independent School District is interested in installing two advanced warning flashing beacons near the G.W. Brackenridge High School on South St Mary's Street between Florida Street and Lotus Avenue, including two mast arm-mounted solar-powered flashing beacon assemblies. San Antonio Independent School District has requested the City's services to install the necessary equipment for the flashing beacon assembly to help draw motorist attention to the existing school traffic warning signs. The City will provide and be responsible for all equipment, personnel and related services necessary to complete the construction of this installation.

The estimated total cost for installing the advanced warning flashing beacons is \$84,128.00. San Antonio Independent School District 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, San Antonio Independent School District will contribute 50% of the funds required to complete the project and the City will fund the remaining 50% of the actual cost.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to enter into the Funding Agreement with San Antonio Independent School District. However, the City would lose a financial partner in providing school safety improvements and any future installations would be 100% funded by the City.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of a Funding Agreement with San Antonio Independent School District and accepts up to 50% of the cost, or \$42,064.00 and amends the FY 2022 - FY

2027 Capital Improvement Program with these funds from San Antonio Independent School District to the FY 2022 School Pedestrian Safety Project to install two advanced warning flashing beacons. The total estimated cost of installing an advanced warning flashing beacon is \$84,128.00. The City will fund the remaining 50% or \$42,064.00 from the FY 2022 School Pedestrian Safety Project, a General Fund project included in FY 2022 - FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a Funding Agreement between San Antonio Independent School District and the City of San Antonio in the amount of \$42,064.00 for the acceptance of these funds from San Antonio Independent School District for their share of construction-related expenses for the installation of two advanced warning school flashing beacons near the G.W. Brackenridge High School located in Council District 1.