



## Legislation Text

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### **AGENDA CAPTION:**

Consider approval of Resolution 2023-90R, supporting the City's application for the Old Ranch Road 12 Bike and Pedestrian Widening Project to the Texas Department of Transportation's 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set-aside (TA) call for projects with required local match; authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute all documents necessary for the application for these funds; and declaring an effective date.

**Meeting date:** May 16, 2023

**Department:** Engineering and Capital Improvements

### **Amount & Source of Funding**

**Funds Required:** \$0

**Account Number:** N/A

**Funds Available:** N/A

**Account Name:** N/A

### **Fiscal Note:**

**Prior Council Action:** No prior action

**City Council Strategic Initiative:** [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Mobility & Connectivity

Choose an item.

Choose an item.

**Comprehensive Plan Element (s):** [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.

☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.

☐ Land Use - Choose an item.

☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.

☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.

☒ Transportation - Multimodal transportation network to improve accessibility and mobility, minimize congestion and reduce pollution

☐ Core Services

☐ Not Applicable

**Master Plan:** *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]*

Transportation Master Plan

**Background Information:**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) administers Transportation Alternatives Set-aside (TA) funds for locally sponsored bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure projects in communities across the state. In December of 2022, TxDOT's TA program issued a call for up to 3 projects that meet the program criteria. City staff submitted the Old Ranch Road 12 Bike and Pedestrian Widening Project as one of the three applications.

The TxDOT review process is a two-step process. In step 1, TxDOT received a total of 465 preliminary applications from 304 unique entities, totaling more than \$1.7 billion dollars in funding requests. It is anticipated that TXDOT will award only \$250 million dollars with this call for projects.

This project was reviewed in step 1 and is eligible to proceed to step 2, which is a more detailed application process. One of the requirements in step 2 is obtaining a resolution of support for each application. No funding is required at this time. If the project is selected by TXDOT, the City will use the federal funding to pay for 80% of the eligible construction costs. The City will fund its required 20% local match using CIP funding. This project is identified in the FY 2024 CIP as project ID 464.

The Old Ranch Road 12 Bike and Pedestrian Widening Project will construct bike and pedestrian facilities along Old Ranch Road 12 between Craddock and Holland. Improvements include 5-10ft sidewalks, 5ft bike lanes and 2ft striped buffers along both sides of Old Ranch Road 12. In addition, travel lanes will be reduced to 11ft width as a traffic calming measure. The scope also includes utility improvements which will not be eligible for federal funding.

The current construction cost is estimated at approximately \$10.0M; of which we anticipate \$8.6M will be eligible for federal funding. If selected, the project is anticipated to start construction in 2026.

**Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:**

N/A

**Alternatives:**

N/A

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of this resolution to support TA detailed application.