THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

STAFF REPORT

Council Meeting Date: May 25, 2021

Subject: Traffic Review and Inspection Agreement

Staff Resource(s): Ken Putnam, PE, Transportation Department Director

Action Requested: Adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a traffic review and inspection agreement with the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the NCDOT to perform design review and inspection of the addition of fire preemption phasing for Fire Station #13 at the existing signalized intersection of SR 1781 (Broadway Street) and Chestnut Street / Mt. Clare Avenue and to submit payment to NCDOT in the amount of $7,500 upon partial execution of the agreement by the City.

Background:
- The City has plans to construct a new fire station (#13) at 316 Broadway Street.
- The project includes fire preemption phasing at an existing signalized intersection.
- The City has prepared the appropriate design to add fire preemption phasing and will be furnishing and installing the appropriate equipment.
- The NCDOT will review the designs and inspect the work during the construction phase.

Council Goal(s):
- Transportation and Accessibility

Committee(s):
- None

Pro(s):
- The fire preemption phasing will enable fire trucks to leave the station in a safe and efficient manner during emergencies.
- The NCDOT will own and control the traffic signal (and associated equipment) and maintenance will be accomplished according to their current policies and procedures.

Con(s):
- None

Fiscal Impact:
- The fiscal impact is estimated to be $7,500 and the City must submit payment upon partial execution of the agreement by the City.
- The funds are included in the project budget for Fire Station #13.

Suggested Motion:
- Motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into and execute a traffic review and inspection agreement with the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the NCDOT to perform design review and inspection of the addition of fire preemption phasing for Fire Station #13 at the existing signalized intersection of SR 1781 (Broadway Street) and Chestnut Street / Mt. Clare Avenue and to submit payment to NCDOT in the amount of $7,500 upon partial execution of the agreement by the City.

Attachment(s):

- Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 21-_____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A TRAFFIC REVIEW AND INSPECTION AGREEMENT WITH THE N.C. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE NCDOT TO PERFORM DESIGN REVIEW AND INSPECTION FOR THE ADDITION OF FIRE PREEMPTION EQUIPMENT AT AN EXISTING SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION FOR FIRE STATION #13

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville has authority pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 160A-296 to maintain and control those areas of sidewalks within its jurisdiction that are not owned by the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT); and

WHEREAS, the City has plans to construct a new fire station (#13) at 316 Broadway Street; and

WHEREAS, the NCDOT and the City of Asheville agree that fire preemption phasing is needed at an existing signalized intersection to enhance safe and efficient egress movements during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared the appropriate designs to add fire preemption phasing and will be furnishing and installing the appropriate equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into and execute a traffic review and inspection agreement with the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the NCDOT to perform design review and inspection of the addition of fire preemption equipment for Fire Station #13 at the existing signalized intersection of SR 1781 (Broadway Street) and Chestnut Street / Mt. Clare Avenue and to submit payment to the NCDOT in the amount of $7,500 upon partial execution of the agreement by the City.

Read, approved and adopted this the 25th day of May, 2021.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney