

Legislation Text

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ACTION REQUESTED:

Communication from the City Manager and Interim Director of Public Works to APPROVE an INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT between the ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION and the City of Peoria for Funding of the Construction and Phase 3 Construction Engineering of the Federally Funded ROCK ISLAND GREENWAY PROJECT. (Council Districts 1 & 3)

BACKGROUND: Public Works is currently finalizing the design of the Rock Island Greenway Extension, which is a planned rails-to-trails bicycle trail from Harvard Avenue to Park Avenue. This trail will extend the existing trail that runs from north of the city to Harvard and connect to an existing trail running along Glen Oak Park. The City is working with IDOT to take this federally-funded project through a local advertisement, bid opening/letting, and contract execution.

The attached inter-governmental agreement sets the terms for the federal grant portion of the funding of the construction and construction engineering of the project and is a requirement of the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA). This document must be executed to allow the funding to be received by the City through the local letting process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: This agreement allows the City to receive \$709,947 in Federal ITEP and TAP grants funds for construction engineering and construction. The city will be responsible for a local share of the project.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS: Extending the Rock Island Greenway south of War Memorial Drive/US 150 will provide a safe and efficient non-motorized route for bicycles and pedestrians in our community. Extending the Rock Island Greenway has the support of many parties, including the Friends of the Rock Island Trail, Bike Peoria and the Peoria Park District. A public meeting was previously held as part of the design of this project on March 8, 2018 at the Washington Gifted School.

IMPACT IF APPROVED: The City can continue to work towards a locally let bid for the Rock Island Greenway extension and will receive Federal ITEP and TAP Grants funding for the Construction and Construction engineering on the project. The City will still be responsible for its local share.

IMPACT IF DENIED: The City will not be able to receive the Federal ITEP and TAP grands for the Construction and Construction Engineering of this project.

ALTERNATIVES: N/A

EEO CERTIFICATION NUMBER: N/A

WHICH OF THE GOALS IDENTIFIED IN THE COUNCIL'S 2014 - 2029 STRATEGIC PLAN DOES THIS RECOMMENDATION ADVANCE?

- 1. Financially Sound City Government, Effective City Organization
- 2. Attractive Neighborhoods with Character: Safe and Livable
- 3. Not applicable.

WHICH CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR(S) FROM THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DOES THIS RECOMMENDATION IMPLEMENT?

- 1. Have an efficient government.
- 2. Invest in our infrastructure and transportation.
- 3. Support sustainability.

DEPARTMENT: Public Works