



City Council Report

Date: February 8th, 2016
To: City Council
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Subject: Maintenance Agreement for the Rio Salado Multiuse Path from SR101L to Dobson Road, District #1

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

Staff requests approval of a resolution authorizing the City of Mesa to enter into an intergovernmental agreement IGA/JPA File No. IGA/JPA 15-0005427-I with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), which details the responsibilities of ADOT and the City for the construction and maintenance of the Rio Salado Multiuse Path from SR101L to Dobson Road (See Exhibit A to the Resolution for the vicinity map).

Staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute the intergovernmental agreement.

Background

This pathway project was previously considered two separate projects, which were combined into one and obtained one Federal-aid Number at the time of construction bid and award, referred previously as Segments 3 and 4, hereinafter referred to as the Project. Under the terms of the agreement, the City of Mesa is to maintain Segments 3 and 4 of the Rio Salado Multiuse Path.

Discussion

Community Impact – The maintenance work will further improve the aesthetics and

atmosphere along the Rio Salado Pathway. The Transportation Department recommends performing the maintenance responsibility for these areas, believing that proper maintenance will increase the aesthetics and economic development potential of the area.

Alternatives

An alternative to this intergovernmental agreement would be for the City to not maintain the pathway in the area. This is not recommended as it would forego the benefits mentioned in the previous section of this report.

Fiscal Impact

The estimated cost of this agreement is approximately \$9,750 annually; this money is included in Transportation Department's Operating budget (CIP FY16).

Coordinated With

The Office of Management and Budget concurs with this recommendation.