



City Council Report

Date: October 3, 2022
To: City Council
Through: Marc Heirshberg, Deputy City Manager
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Subject: Arterial Street Overlay, Rio Salado Drive: Price Road to Dobson
City Project No. LF0495RIO1
Council District 1

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to request Council approval of a resolution authorizing the City of Mesa to enter into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the City of Tempe for asphalt maintenance and replacement along Rio Salado Parkway within the municipal boundary of Tempe. (Refer to Exhibit "A" for project location).

Staff recommends that Council approve the resolution and authorize the City Manager to execute this IGA on behalf of the city. Mesa will authorize an expenditure of \$251,199.00 for the design, management, inspection and construction of the asphalt on the southern half of Rio Salado Parkway within the municipal boundary of Tempe between Price Road and Evergreen Road. Mesa will reconstruct this portion along with the rest of Rio Salado Parkway from Price Road to Dobson Road. Tempe will reimburse the City of Mesa half at the time of construction contract award and the remainder upon completion of the project.

Background

The jurisdictional boundary between Mesa and Tempe is the centerline of Rio Salado Parkway between Price Road and Evergreen Road. Tempe is responsible for maintenance of the south side of the roadway in this area. Tempe and Mesa have agreed to have Mesa perform pavement preservation across both sides of the roadway concurrently because doing so will save time, reduce burden to the travelling public, and is economically advantageous. The project area is adjacent to Sloan Park, but the work will not interfere with Spring Training.

Discussion

The purpose of this IGA is to identify and define the responsibilities of Tempe and Mesa for the design and construction of the asphalt rehabilitation on Rio Salado Parkway for this project.

Community Impact – This project will improve the quality and safety of Rio Salado Parkway for the traveling public. This work will require temporary traffic restrictions throughout the two-month construction duration.

Alternatives

The City Council could choose not to enter into this IGA. This is not recommended because that would leave only a 2000-foot section of the southern half of Rio Salado Parkway with old asphalt adjacent to a newly repaired one-mile-long project. Deferring maintenance or having Tempe complete this repair at a future date would result in additional disruption to the residents and businesses in Mesa.

Fiscal Impact

The total fiscal impact of this IGA is \$251,199.00 which Mesa will be fully reimbursed by Tempe at the completion of the project.

This project is funded by local street sales tax revenue.

Coordinated With

The Transportation Department concurs with this recommendation.