

## Legislation Text

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### **Independence Boulevard Reimbursement Municipal Agreement Modification**

#### **Action:**

**Adopt a resolution modifying a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Independence Boulevard Project in the amount of \$1,088,674.98.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Explanation**

- On January 24, 2011, City Council authorized executing a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) for the Independence Boulevard (US 74) project from Albemarle Road (NC 27) to just east of Conference Drive.
- The City requested the following project improvements and agreed to reimburse NCDOT for these costs:
  - Six-foot sidewalks on Independence Boulevard, Sharon Amity Road and Idlewild Road within the project limits. Typically, NCDOT pays for five-foot sidewalks. The existing five-foot sidewalks were replaced at NCDOT's cost. The City is responsible for covering the additional requested width along these streets (6.8 miles).
  - Six-foot new sidewalks on other streets within the project limits (2 miles).
  - Additional median width for a future potential grade separation where Farmingdale Drive and Glendora Drive currently intersect Independence Boulevard.
  - Four feet of additional right-of-way for future managed lanes between Sharon Amity Road and Idlewild Road.
- Municipal Agreements are initially executed with an estimated cost with the understanding that the City would receive the actual cost at the completion of the project. At the time of the Municipal Agreement, the estimated cost for these improvements was estimated to be \$881,314, which was the amount noted in the Municipal Agreement.
- The project, located in Council District 5, has been completed and the final cost for the noted improvements is \$1,088,674.98. The cost differential is primarily due to higher than expected right-of-way costs.
- Funding for this Municipal Agreement will be from the Participation in State Transportation Projects program. This program provides funding to ensure that sidewalks, landscaping and other amenities are constructed as part of NCDOT projects beyond what they would normally fund. This program is designed to leverage funds to create better projects in partnership with NCDOT. The remaining balance after this reimbursement is approximately \$650,000.

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Transportation Capital Investment Plan - Participation in State Transportation Projects

#### **Attachment(s)**

Map

Resolution