

	<div style="text-align: center;"><b>AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY</b></div> <div style="border: 1px dashed purple; padding: 5px; float: right; margin-top: 10px;"> <b>District Impacted</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 = Wolosin  <input type="checkbox"/> 2 = Woolard  <input type="checkbox"/> 3 = Scott  <input type="checkbox"/> 4 = Boddie  <input type="checkbox"/> 5 = Macaluso  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All </div>
<b>Agenda Date</b>	06/8/2021
<b>Requested Action</b>	APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-R20; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BOERNE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S 2021 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM SET-ASIDE (TA) CALL FOR PROJECTS.
<b>Contact Person</b>	Paul Barwick
<b>Background Information</b>	<p><b>Trail Funding Opportunity</b>  A matching funds opportunity is currently available for trail design and construction. Staff submitted a preliminary application for this program on 3/8/21 and was informed on 4/13/21 that the City could proceed with submission of a detailed application that is due 6/14/21. Staff is currently working diligently with Poznecki Camarillo, Inc to prepare the final application, cost estimate and exhibits for the detailed application.</p> <p><b>Previous Trail Funding (5.05 Miles)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old No. 9 Greenway (Trail) – ISTE 80/20 matching construction funding</li> <li>• Old No. 9 Greenway (Trail Amenities) - Texas Parks and Wildlife Recreational Trails Grant funding, 80/20 matching construction funding</li> <li>• Cibolo/Currey Creek Trails – 2007 Quality of Life bond funding</li> <li>• 2015 TxDOT Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Boerne Trail Expansion Project 80/20 matching construction funding</li> </ul> <p><b>Master Plan Support</b>  <u>Boerne 2018 Master Plan Objectives</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify funding and evaluate opportunities to increase multi-modal transportation options for Boerne.</li> <li>• Provide a high-quality and well-maintained parks and recreations system to support quality of life in Boerne.</li> <li>• Enhance the appearance and character of the community through public and private section actions.</li> <li>• Prioritize the revitalization and enhancement of downtown Boerne to further strengthen it as the historical, cultural, and governmental heart of Boerne.</li> </ul>

Parks Master Plan Strategic Goal

Continue to develop pedestrian/ bikeway trails and greenbelts to connect parks and residential areas.

Stakeholder Input

- Provide bike friendly pathways that have no speed bump for motorized vehicles.
- Increase the available bicycling opportunities between north and south Boerne.
- Provide bike pathways and pedestrian sidewalks on existing roadways.
- Create another bike path type in the style of a natural pathway.
- Create greater vibrant connections to schools.
- Provide connections between Old #9 and Creek Trail.
- Actually 'connect' the community.
- Create a system that allows one to ride bicycles everywhere.
- Provide safety buffers between bicycle riders and vehicles.
- Provide for a diversity of bicycle accessibility at highway intersections, crossings, connections, etc.
- Make the City of Boerne VERY WALKABLE and VERY BIKEABLE.

**TxDOT 2021 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program**

- City of Boerne qualifies for Small Urban areas (5,001-200,000)
- Project selection will occur October 2021.
- Funding for Small Urban areas selected projects would be made available by FY23/24.

Project Details (0.75 miles)

*Old No. 9 Multi-Modal Trail Head/Shared Use Trail Extension/Trail Connection to Curington E.S. & Public Library* - This proposed trail project consists of three improvements related to the northern portion of the Old #9 Trail. Improvements include:

- 1,600 L.F. of 10' wide shared use trail extending Old No. 9 from Garden St. to intersection of Main St/Adler Rd./School St., terminating at trail head with parking lot.
- 2,500 L.F. of 10' wide shared use trail to extending from Old No. 9 trail/public library to Curington Elementary School.
- Prefab 12' x 100' steel pedestrian bridge would replace the narrow wooden bridge on Old No. 9 trail. *See attached Trail Project Exhibit*

Trail Easements

- The trail extension to Curington E.S. is dependent on acquisition of permanent trail easement on BISD school site and adjoining property. Staff is currently working with both property representatives for a letter of commitment.

#### Timeline

- 6/8/21 - COB City Council Resolution for detailed application submittal
- 6/14/21 - Detailed application submittal
- 10/21 - Conditional Projects List announced (anticipated future projects)
- FY23/24 - October 2023, funds available for Conditional Projects List
- Estimated time for design and construction starting Oct. 2023 would be 18 months.

#### Project Funding

At this point the estimated construction costs total \$1,122,500.

The estimated cost for trail easements (non-reimbursable expense) is \$100,000, and estimated soft costs (engineering, environmental, grant administration, project fees, etc.) is \$593,000 that comes to a Grand total of \$1,815,500. *See attached Preliminary Cost Estimate*

Eligible reimbursement costs include 80% of both construction and soft costs. To better increase the likelihood of project selection, an overmatch of only seeking 50% reimbursement of soft costs would be of benefit. With this scenario, the estimated total cost to the City for the project would be estimated to be \$621,000 and the remainder of the project costs totaling \$1,194,500 would be eligible for reimbursement.

The City is responsible for administering the grant, any cost overruns and for all payments to the general contractor including any project change orders. Reimbursement payments will be made to the City based on the allowable percentage for qualifying expenses. This is a competitive program and there is no guarantee that the City will receive funding for this project. If this project is placed on the Conditional Projects List, funding is still not guaranteed for FY23/24.

If this project is selected, possible matching funding sources could include future bond funds, QOL Reserve Fund and/or General Reserve funds. Depending on the overall timing of the project, which will span several fiscal years, we may be able to fund directly from the QOL Reserve without using the General Fund.

#### **Resolution**

Staff recommends that City Council approve the Resolution authorizing the submission of the detailed application for the 2021 TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Call for Projects. *See attached Resolution*

<b>Item Justification</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal/Regulatory Obligation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure Investment <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Pull <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Service Enhancement <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigate Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Process Efficiency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Master Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Recommendation
<b>Financial Considerations</b>	Cost incurred for the preparation of the program detailed application to date will not exceed \$25,000.
<b>Citizen Input/Board Review</b>	Letters of support from the community have been received from BISD, BKCEDC, BCC, Principal of Curington E.S., Cibolo Center for Conservation, The AgriCultural, etc.
<b>Legal Review</b>	The City Attorney has reviewed the attached Resolution
<b>Alternative Options</b>	N/A
<b>Supporting Documents</b>	Preliminary Cost Estimate Resolution