

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, January 22, 2002

TITLE: REVIEW AND APPROVAL: Enhancement Agreements for TEA-21 Projects

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO X
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Maps of project locations C. Budget summaries	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia McGuire – 918-7327

PURPOSE

TEA-21 Transportation Enhancement proposals for improvements to Old Fayetteville Road and South Greensboro Street sidewalks were approved by the North Carolina Department of Transportation in October 2000. Enhancement Agreements have been prepared. A resolution recommending the Board of Aldermen authorize the Mayor's signature on the Enhancement Agreements is recommended for the Board's approval.

INFORMATION

Applications for TEA-21 Enhancement projects for sidewalk improvements along Old Fayetteville Road and South Greensboro Street were submitted in 1999 and 2000. Budget summaries and maps showing the improvements for both projects are attached (*Attachments B & C*). The Town received project approval in the second round of the TEA-21 grant cycle for South Greensboro Street (E-4544) and Old Fayetteville Road (E-4545) sidewalk improvements in October 2000.

Enhancement agreements for the two projects have been prepared. A summary of the provisions of the agreements is as follows:

Project	Total Cost	Federal Share	Town Share	Additional Cost	Status
E-4544	\$ 10,738	\$ 8,591	\$ 2,147	\$ 30,000 ¹	Complete
E-4545	\$ 91,294	\$ 73,035	\$ 18,259	\$ 32,000 ²	

1 Funds provided through Small Urban Work Order No. 9.8070224

2 Additional funds will be needed for curb and gutter (not covered by TEA-21). Use of Capital Reserve is proposed.

The "Town Share" of these projects has already been set aside in Capital Reserve. As summarized above, the additional costs for E-4544 are to be covered by NCDOT's Small Urban Funds. Additional funds for E-4545 include curb and gutter and associated percentage-based contingency and engineering costs (see *Attachment B*).

Once the agreements are fully executed, scoping meetings on the projects will take place. NCDOT is budgeting for completion of both projects in Federal Fiscal Year 02 (October 2001 – September 2002). Town staff will seek Small Urban Funds and other revenue sources to cover the additional costs for E-4545. The Town, to ensure that funds are available to cover the additional costs of \$32,000 for curb and gutter, shall reserve the funds within the Capital Reserve fund, by reallocating street resurfacing reserves to a

reserve for curb and gutter costs. The Town Manager proposes to increase the annual allocation for street resurfacing reserves by \$32,000 to a total of \$182,000 in the upcoming year.

The Town's obligation under the Enhancement Agreements is contingent upon the availability of adequate right-of-way to construct and install the specified improvements. Existing right-of-way appears to be available. If this is not the case, the Town will have to evaluate several courses of action, including: acquiring additional right-of-way, revising the scope of the project, or declining to go forward with the project.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution (*Attachment A*) that authorizes the Mayor to sign the Enhancement Agreements for projects E-4544 and E-4545 and directs staff to reserve \$32,000 within the Capital Reserve fund, by reallocating street resurfacing reserves to a reserve for curb and gutter costs for E-4545.