

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

ITEM NO. C(3)

**AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT**

**MEETING DATE: May 15, 2007**

**TITLE: Interlocal Cooperation Agreement – Federal Transportation Planning Grants**

<b>DEPARTMENT: Planning</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO <u>X</u></b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> <b>A. Resolution</b> <b>B. Interlocal Agreement</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:</b> Patricia McGuire - <b>918-7327</b> Adena Messinger – <b>918-7329</b>

**PURPOSE**

The City of Durham serves as the Lead Planning Agency for the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHCMPO) and administers and manages many transportation planning and construction projects for the region. An interlocal agreement is needed to insure the transfer of Carrboro’s share of matching funds to the City of Durham, in accordance with decisions made by the DCHCMPO.

**INFORMATION**

Fiscal control requirements in Durham require the city to post a budget balance that meets or exceeds the total costs for each contracted project before the City can execute a contract for transportation planning or construction projects such as those funded through the Surface Transportation Program – Direct Allocation (STP-DA). Six modeling and data collection efforts are scheduled to occur in conjunction with updating the Long Range Transportation Plan. The town match for these activities is \$17,507.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The FY2006-07 budget allocated \$14,008 as the Town’s match on a number of modeling efforts associated with the update of the regional Long Range Transportation Plan. Between the time the Town’s and the MPO’s budgets were finalized, the costs increased to \$17,507, \$3,499 more than the amount originally budgeted. Staff has identified funds available to cover this difference.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen authorize the Town Manager to sign the interlocal agreement.