

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(9)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: June 5, 2007

TITLE: Interlocal Cooperation Agreement – Local Match for Federal Transportation Planning Grants

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

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

Some of the activities of the DCHC MPO involve administration of funds for projects that require matching funds from Carrboro and other members. 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) program. 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. The interlocal greement allows transfer of funds to the City of Durham for Carrboro's share of those projects that have been authorized already and includes provisions regarding budgeting and payment of Carrboro's share of future projects.

Durham will provide annual accounts of projects that are funded in part by local match. The Town Manager is designated as the point of contact for this agreement, unless other persons have been designated. The agreement is effective for a minimum of ten years, subject to termination by either party with 6 months written notice in advance of the fiscal year in which the termination is sought. The agreement will continue after the termination date unless either party communicates in writing that it has been terminated.

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.