



**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**  
**Monday, October 2, 2017 6:00 PM**  
**City Commission Room, City Hall, 6 E. 6th Street**

**MEETING AGENDA**

1. Approve of September 11, 2017 meeting minutes
2. **General Public Comment** *(The public is allowed to speak to any items or issues that are not scheduled on the agenda)*
3. **Sales Tax Election Details**  
  
Receive staff information on November 7, 2017 sales tax renewal.
4. **Study – Lawrence Loop Alignment**  
  
Receive update on proposed routes and public comments for the Lawrence Loop Alignment study. Discuss alignments prior to selecting a final route for additional study.
5. **Transportation Alternatives projects (Added to agenda 9/29/2017)**  
  
The City received notice from KDOT that both applications submitted for Transportation Alternatives project were selected for funding. Provide a recommendation to the City Commission on accepting the Transportation Alternative funds.
6. Staff Items
7. Commission Items
8. Calendar
9. Adjournment

# Memorandum

## City of Lawrence

### Public Works Department

TO: Transportation Commission  
FROM: Dave Cronin, City Engineer  
DATE: September 29, 2017  
RE: Agenda Item for Transportation Commission 10/2/2017:  
City awarded funds for Transportation Alternatives projects

#### **Background**

The City received notice from KDOT that both applications submitted for the Transportation Alternatives program were awarded funds. In July, Transportation Alternatives (TA) applications were submitted to KDOT for 1) 19<sup>th</sup> & Iowa pedestrian/bicycle underpass \$1.6 million (with a \$400,000 local match) and 2) Safe Routes to School project \$400,000 (with a \$100,000 local match).

The Transportation Alternative (TA) Program is administered by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and provides funding for programs and projects including pedestrian and bicycle facilities, scenic and environmental, historic preservation, and safe routes to school. The vision of the program is to create safe, accessible, attractive, and environmentally-sensitive communities where people want to live, work and engage in recreational activities. In 2017-2018 a total of \$18 million has been made available for funding in Kansas communities not including the Kansas City and Wichita metro regions. The minimum local match is 20% of the project and the remaining 80% are federal funds administered by KDOT.

The total of \$2.0 million in funding will require \$500,000 local match. Staff is recommending the City accept the TA funding for both projects and to use budgeted 2017 pedestrian/bicycle funds as the local match. Staff will discuss sharing the local matching funds for the 19<sup>th</sup> & Iowa project with the University of Kansas. Plans for reconstructing 19<sup>th</sup> Street from Naismith to Iowa are underway and expected to be complete by early spring for 2018 construction. City staff will work with the design consultant and KDOT to efficiently incorporate the underpass project into the current plans.

#### **Action**

Provide a recommendation to the City Commission on accepting the Transportation Alternative funds.

#### **Attachments**

KDOT award letters

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September 29, 2017

David Cronin (via email at [dcronin@lawrenceks.org](mailto:dcronin@lawrenceks.org))

City Engineer  
City of Lawrence  
6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Cronin,

I am pleased to inform you that your project has been selected for funding and will be included as part of our state's Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program.

Project Title/Description	Federal request	Local match	Total project cost
19 <sup>th</sup> & Iowa Ped & Bike Underpass	\$1,597,175	\$399,294	\$1,996,470

Your project has been awarded a maximum federal funding amount of \$1,597,175. Please note that you are responsible for the 20% match, plus all Design, ROW, and Utility costs, as well as any non-participating costs and costs over the federal award amount, meaning if the eligible expenses for your project exceed your federal award amount, the overage will also be your responsibility.

Please do not start performing any work until a written Agreement is signed between KDOT and you, the Local Sponsor, and a Notice to Proceed has been received. **Work performed prior to receiving the Notice to Proceed is not eligible for reimbursement.** KDOT will now begin drafting an agreement which you will receive for your review and signatures soon.

I have attached a few items that you can start working on which will help us process your documents more easily. Please complete the KDOT Cover Sheet and ensure that your DUNS number and SAM registration are up to date and active (screenshots requested), and return all attached items to me so that I can add them to your project file.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me by email at [Matthew.Messina@ks.gov](mailto:Matthew.Messina@ks.gov) or by phone at 785.296.7448. A paper copy of this letter will follow in the mail for your records.

We look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

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Matt Messina  
State Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator

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CC: Bureau of Local Projects  
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Nick Voss (via email at [nvoss@lawrenceks.org](mailto:nvoss@lawrenceks.org))

Project Engineer  
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Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Voss,

I am pleased to inform you that your project has been selected for funding and will be included as part of our state's Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program.

Project Title/Description	Federal request	Local match	Total project cost
Lawrence SRTS Phase 2	\$394,128	\$98,532	\$492,660

Your project has been awarded a maximum federal funding amount of \$394,128. Please note that you are responsible for the 20% match, plus all Design, ROW, and Utility costs, as well as any non-participating costs and costs over the federal award amount, meaning if the eligible expenses for your project exceed your federal award amount, the overage will also be your responsibility.

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