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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY AND THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS TO COLORADO BOULEVARD FROM E. 68TH AVENUE TO E. 70TH AVENUE

Summary & Background

The City applied for and received a grant through the DRCOG/CDOT Safer Main Streets (SMS) Program. The City was awarded the grant in December 2020. The total amount of the grant is \$2.72M. The City's match for the grant is \$680K. This grant program funds infrastructure projects that improve safety and accessibility along urban arterials, especially for vulnerable users who depend on a reliable urban street network, such as pedestrians, bikers, motorcyclists, transit users, the elderly, and those with disabilities.

The City's project consists of roadway improvements to Colorado Boulevard from E. 68th Avenue to E. 70th Avenue for the purpose of providing bicycle and pedestrian connectivity through sidewalks and bicycle paths to the light rail station near Colorado Boulevard and E. 70th Avenue. In addition, these improvements will provide an important pedestrian connection to the new Adams 14 Elementary School located on E. 68th Avenue. The anticipated outcome of this project is to improve efficiency and safety for pedestrians and bicyclists in the area.

The project scope includes design and construction of improvements to Colorado Boulevard from E. 68th Avenue to E. 70th Avenue including curb and gutter to the outside edge of the travel lanes. Multimodal facilities will be provided through a six-foot wide concrete sidewalk on one side of the roadway and a 10-foot wide bike path on the other side. Drainage improvements and street lighting will be included in the project.

Staff Responsible (Department Head): Joe Wilson, Director of Public Works

Staff Presenting: Brent Soderlin, City Engineer

Financial Impact: \$3.4M - Commerce City portion is \$680K.

Funding Source: \$2.72M from CDOT and \$680K from Commerce City. Of the \$680K - \$100K was approved in 2021 as a part of the re-appropriation request and Public Works has requested the remaining \$580K as part of the 2022 CIPP Budget for the Colorado Boulevard Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City of Commerce City and the Colorado Department of Transportation for Pedestrian Improvements to Colorado Boulevard from E. 68th Avenue to E. 70th Avenue.

Suggested Motion: Move to Approve Resolution Authorizing Execution of Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City of Commerce City and the Colorado Department of Transportation for Pedestrian Improvements to Colorado Boulevard from E. 68th Avenue to E. 70th Avenue.