



Agenda Item: Agreement

Title: Consideration of a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Agreement with the Wyoming Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to support the construction of Spring Creek Trail Phase 1.

Recommended Council MOTION:

I move that City Council approve the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Agreement with the Wyoming Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to support the construction of Spring Creek Trail Phase 1 and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Resolution 2021-12 adopting policy goals and objectives for the City of Laramie for 2021. C. Maintain and Improve Municipal Infrastructure. Milestone #4. Continue expansion of greenbelt, park and recreation amenities.

Background:

TAP, formerly TEAL, funds are generated at the federal level via the Federal Highway Administration and are awarded competitively through the Wyoming Department of Transportation. These grants have been used locally for a variety of projects including nearly the entire greenbelt system, the beginning of the ridgeline trail at the Cirrus Sky Technology Park, and the design of the Snowy Range Corridor enhancements.

For this funding cycle, staff proposes a \$500,000 request to the Wyoming Department of Transportation and a \$500,000 match to be used to fund the construction of Spring Creek Trail Phase 1 30th Street to LaPrele Park. Funding for the design of this project (\$40,000 Grant/\$10,000 Match) was provided through the same program via a FY 2018 award. The construction estimate for this project is \$ 975,791 and includes crossing improvements at 30th Street, berm stabilization, crossing improvements at Whiting High School, a code compliant parking lot/trail head at LaPrele Park and approximately .45 miles of nonmotorized pedestrian pathway.

On May 3, 2021 Dave Herdt, Local Programs Coordinator for WYDOT and his staff conducted a site review of the project staff is submitting. The project design and plans meet the intent of the TAP program and the City of Laramie is authorized to apply. Applications are due no later than 11:59 pm on Thursday, July 15, 2021 and we may submit a draft of the application for review by Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Due to staff work load the City utilized the services of Sarah Reese to complete the application.

The City of Laramie was awarded the grant applied for in the full amount of \$500,000 and staff recommend approving the associated agreement.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

N/A

Budget/Fiscal Information:**Revenue**

Source	Amount	Type
Fees/Charges for Service		
Grants for Projects	\$500,000.00	TAP Application.
Loans on Project		
Other	\$500,000.00	2018 Voter Approved SPT Funds
Total	\$1,000,000.00	

Expense

Proposed Project Cost.

Project Budget	Amount	Funds
Project Cost	\$1,050,000.00	Construciton Estimate plus Design Project
Loans on Project		
Grants for Project	\$540,000.00	2017 TAP award plus 2021 TAP Application
Other/Outside Projects		
City's Amount	\$510,000.00	\$10,000 GF previous/\$500,000 SPT Funds
Contingency	0% \$0.00	
Total Amount	\$1,050,000.00	

Amount spent to date (approved and adopted by Council)

Budget	Amount	Funds
Total Budget Allocation	\$50,000.00	Design Project Contracted and Completed
Less Amount Spent to Date	\$50,000.00	
Remainder of Budget	\$0.00	

Responsible Staff:

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Attachments:

TAP CD22101 Agreement Cover Letter

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