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To: **Mayor and City Council** **Date:** **December 28, 2016**

From: John Bender PE, City Engineer

Re: **CMPO Call for Projects for FY21 Funding**

Description: Tower Terrace Interchange CMPO Funding

Report:

See attached memo from Hall and Hall Engineers. This is the solicitation request from eligible member jurisdictions of the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization for project funding. The latest projections of a funding balance for roadway projects in the corridor for FY 21 indicate the will be approximately $3,975,000. Starting in 2021, the allocation will be 50% roadway projects, 30% trail projects, and 20% transit improvements. The Corridor MPO has issued a call for funding applications due January 20th for trail and roadway projects.

Hiawatha is the lead agency to submit the funding request for the Tower Terrace Interchange local match. The local agencies pledged $5 million to the almost $20 million project, $4 million from the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization and $1 million from all the local agencies. We are working with the other local agencies as we prepare the application. See attached letter of support for the Tower Terrace/I-380 Interchange signed by Hiawatha, Robins, Cedar Rapids, Marion, and Linn County.

The approach is to submit this application for $1.0 million for each year from 2021-2024. If you need any further information, please let me know.

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August 17, 2016

RE: I-380 Interchange at Tower Terrace Road Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Schnoebelen-

Our area communities are writing to you to express our support and the level of importance of a Tower Terrace Interchange at I-380. Due to continued traffic congestion and the safety of our metro residents and those traveling through our communities, the Tower Terrace Interchange Project in our view point is a high level project.

In our preparation of the needed interchange project, we have submitted a joint metro and county application with our local Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). We are assured we have support for its placement in the Fiscally Constrained Plan under this funding scenario and supported by the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization and its boards. It is our intentions to provide 25% of the funding totaling $5M. Our request from MPO funding consists of $2M in Fiscal Year 2021 and $2M in Fiscal Year 2022. The balance of $1M will be provided by our metro communities and county.

We look forward to partnering with our State and local Department of Transportation for a much needed interchange that will greatly benefit each of our communities.

Sincerely,

Mayor Bill Bennett

Mayor Chuck Hinz

See attached res.

Mayor Ron Corbett

Supervisor Chair Ben Rogers

See attached res.

Mayor Nick Abouassaly

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City of Hiawatha
Memo

Date: **December 28, 2016**

To: **Honorable Mayor and City Council**

From: **Matt Johnson, P.E.**

RE: **Resolution Authorizing Application to CMPO for Tower Terrace Road Interchange Funding**

The Corridor MPO has put out a request for funding applications for FY 2021. As requested by City Staff, we are working on putting together an application requesting $1,000,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG, formerly STP) funding to go towards this project. As a requirement for this application, the City Council must pass a resolution that authorizes submittal of the application and commits the City to funding the local match portion of the project. The minimum local match is 20%, which equates to $200,000. If approved by the Council, the next City CIP should include a line item for the Tower Terrace Road Interchange in FY 2021 in the amount of $200,000 (or greater). Please note that submitting this application does not commit the City to funding any portion of this project if the application is not approved for funding.

City Staff has met with representatives of other jurisdictions that have verbally committed fund a portion of the project. The intent is to secure $4M in funding through STBG, with an additional $1M in local funding from all member jurisdictions. The most recent cost estimate for the project that I have seen is $19.9M. The DOT will be responsible for funding the remaining portion of the project.

We, hereby, recommend City acceptance of the enclosed resolution authorizing application to CMPO for regional transportation funds and committing to provide local matching funds.

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RESOLUTION NO. 17-
City Council

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO CORRIDOR METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS AND COMMITTING TO PROVIDE LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS CONTINGENT UPON AWARD AND ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT FUNDS.
Tower Terrace Road Interchange Project

WHEREAS, the City of Hiawatha, Iowa is applying to the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization for $1,000,000 of FY 2021 Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding to construct a new interchange on Interstate 380 at Tower Terrace Road from Edgewood Road to North Center Point Road.

WHEREAS, the City has the legal jurisdiction and authority to construct, finance, operate, and maintain the proposed facility within Hiawatha.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIAWATHA, IOWA, as follows:

1. That the City of Hiawatha, Iowa agrees to conform with the regulations, statutes, terms, and conditions described in the application and instructions.
2. Comply with conditions of accepting transportation funding from the Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization.
3. That the City commits to provide the matching funds of $200,000 proposed in the funding application contingent upon award, and acceptance, of federal STBG funding for the above mentioned project. The City of Hiawatha is under no obligation to perform said project if Hiawatha's application for funding is not approved.
4. That if federal STBG or TA funds are approved for the above mentioned project, the required local matching funds will be included in the future Capital Improvements Program, and the City will adequately maintain the project for its intended public use for a minimum of twenty years following completion.

AYES:
NAYS:
ABSENT:

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 4th day of January, 2017.

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Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kelly Kornegor, City Clerk