

# **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Brad Reid, Director of Parks and Recreation

Date: September 26, 2017

**Reference:** Consider approval of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between the North

Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and City of Coppell for design

services in support of a Regional Trail Connections to Rail Stations Project.

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## **Introduction:**

On January 12, 2017, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds and local matching funds, (to) conduct preliminary engineering of the Lewisville-Carrollton-Coppell Regional Trail Connections to Rail Station Project. This project will prepare a design development schematic and environmental summary for a Regional Veloweb shared-use path (trail) facility from the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) Hebron Station in Lewisville to the Campion Trail in Irving, with additional regional path connections to the North Carrollton/Frankford Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) station, the Trinity Mills DART station, and the existing North Levee Trail along Denton Creek in Coppell west of MacArthur Blvd.

NCTCOG received interest from the City of Lewisville, City of Carrollton, City of Coppell, Dallas County, Denton County, the Dallas Area Rapid Transit, and the Denton County Transit Authority ("contributing partners") to equally split the local match requirement for the federal funding to conduct preliminary engineering of the Lewisville-Carrollton-Coppell Regional Trail Connections to Rail Station Project.

## **Analysis:**

The 2009 Coppell Community-Wide Trails Implementation Plan "...considers regional planning efforts being made by the North Central Texas Council of Governments and the Dallas Area Rapid Transit authority, as well as efforts being made by cities surrounding Coppell's municipal boundaries." Three primary objectives were derived from the comments and concerns expressed through the public input process of the Trails Implementation Plan, the following which supports the desire to participate in this study:

• **Connections:** Not only is there a need for trails to connect to one another, but also to key City destinations, to adjacent City trail systems and to future DART stations.

This project includes trail connections from the DCTA Hebron Station in Lewisville with two DART stations in Carrollton, and connections to existing and funded regional trails in northern and southern Coppell. The City will designate a Project Manager to work directly with the NCTCOG to coordinate schedules, review milestones and deliverables, facilitate interaction with the various departments of the municipality, elected officials, and key stakeholders. The City will participate in the procurement of a consultant, through review of the RFP and participation in the consultant selection process, and other needed tasks.

The total project cost for this Agreement is \$625,000 (\$500,000 Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Funds + \$125,000 local match of the SPONSORS). The project costs include anticipated consultant expenses for completion of duties defined in Article 3 of the Agreement. The City of Coppell is being asked to provide a total of seventeen thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven dollars (\$17,857.00) to support the project.

## **Legal Review:**

The attached agreement was reviewed and approved by legal counsel.

# **Fiscal Impact:**

The fiscal impact of this Agenda item is \$17,857.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Parks and Recreation Department recommends approval of this item.