

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 9

DATE: February 3, 2004

STAFF: John Lang

SUBJECT

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 008, 2004, Appropriating Unanticipated Revenue into a Project Account for the Design of Improvements to South Taft Hill Road, Between Horsetooth Road and Harmony Road (CR-38E).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The City of Fort Collins Engineering Department has received a total of \$300,000 from Larimer County's Regional Road Capital Expansion Fee Program. Under this program, the County collects a fee from building permits issued within unincorporated Larimer County and the City of Fort Collins. This impact fee program was initiated by Larimer County in 1999, and adopted by the City of Fort Collins in February of 2000. Taft Hill Road (County Road 19) between Fort Collins and Loveland is identified as one of five regional roads in the Larimer County Transportation Plan dated 1998. Larimer County has selected this segment of South Taft Hill Road (Horsetooth to Harmony) from among the five eligible regional roads for use of these funds. This project will design this section of South Taft Hill Road for the ultimate four-lane urban arterial street section. At the request of the County, a design for a potential interim three-lane arterial street section will also be produced. This Ordinance was adopted 6-0 (Mayor Martinez was absent) on First Reading on January 20, 2004.

ORDINANCE NO. 008, 2004
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPROPRIATING UNANTICIPATED REVENUE IN THE
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - SOUTH TAFT HILL ROAD,
HORSETOOTH ROAD TO HARMONY ROAD PROJECT, TO BE USED FOR
THE DESIGN OF A FOUR-LANE ARTERIAL STREET ON A SECTION OF SOUTH
TAFT HILL ROAD FROM HORSETOOTH ROAD SOUTH TO HARMONY ROAD

WHEREAS, the section of South Taft Hill Road from Horsetooth Road south to Harmony Road, located within the City's Growth Management Area, is currently a two-lane County road with no left turn lanes, no bike lanes, partial sidewalk, and minimal roadway shoulders; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned roadway is identified in the City's Master Street Plan as a roadway which should become a four-lane arterial street; and

WHEREAS, South Taft Hill Road (County Road 19) is identified in Larimer County's Transportation Plan as one of five roads within the County that are considered "Regional Roads" and, as such, Taft Hill Road is eligible for funding from the County's Regional Road Capital Expansion Fee program; and

WHEREAS, under the County's Regional Road Capital Expansion Fee program, initiated by Larimer County in 1999 and adopted by the City in 2000, the County collects fees from building permits issued within unincorporated Larimer County and the City of Fort Collins, and said fees are then available for funding improvements to "Regional Roads" as identified by the County; and

WHEREAS, the City has received \$300,000 from Larimer County's Regional Road Capital Expansion Fee program; and

WHEREAS, the City will use the aforementioned funds to cover the costs of designing a four-lane arterial street for the section of South Taft Hill Road from Horsetooth Road south to Harmony Road; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9, of the Charter of the City of Fort Collins permits the City Council to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriations, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received during the fiscal year; and

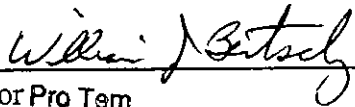
WHEREAS, City staff has determined that the appropriation of \$300,000 from Larimer County as described herein will not cause the total amount appropriated in the Capital Projects Fund - South Taft Hill Road, Horsetooth Road to Harmony Road capital project budget to

exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received during any fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Council to appropriate the sum of \$300,000, representing Regional Road Capital Expansion fees collected by Larimer County, in the Capital Projects Fund - South Taft Hill Road, Horsetooth Road to Harmony capital project to be used to cover the costs of designing a four-lane arterial street for the section of South Taft Hill Road from Horsetooth Road south to Harmony Road

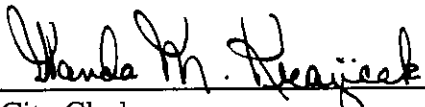
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that there is hereby appropriated for expenditure from unanticipated revenue in the Capital Projects Fund - South Taft Hill Road, Horstooth Road to Harmony Road capital project, the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000), upon receipt from Larimer County, to be used to cover the costs to design a four-lane arterial street for the section of South Taft Hill Road from Horsetooth Road south to Harmony Road.

Introduced and considered favorably on first reading and ordered published this 20th day of January, A.D. 2004, and to be presented for final passage on the 3rd day of February, A.D. 2004.



Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading this 3rd day of February, A.D. 2004.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL

ITEM NUMBER: 16

DATE: January 20, 2004

STAFF: John Lang

SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 008, 2004, Appropriating Unanticipated Revenue into a Project Account for the Design of Improvements to South Taft Hill Road, Between Horsetooth Road and Harmony Road (CR-38E).

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The design of South Taft Hill Road from Horsetooth Road to Harmony Road is being funded through a transfer of \$300,000 in Regional Road Capital Expansion Fees from Larimer County to the City.

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No local matching funds are required by the City.

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BACKGROUND

South Taft Hill Road between Horsetooth Road and Harmony Road (CR-38E) has not yet been annexed by the City of Fort Collins, but is located within the City's Growth Management Area. It is currently a two-lane County road with no left turn lanes, no bike lanes, partial sidewalk and

minimal shoulders. This County road is identified in the City's Master Street Plan as ultimately needing to become a four-lane arterial street.

Larimer County's Transportation Plan, adopted in 1998, has identified five roads within the County that are considered "Regional Roads" and are eligible for funding from the "Regional Road Capital Expansion Fees" program for road improvements. Taft Hill Road (CR 19) is one of the regional roads that can be improved using these impact fees.

The ultimate roadway section will be designed as a City four-lane arterial street. This section is anticipated to be very similar to the recently completed Building Community Choices-1997 section of South Taft Hill Road between Drake and Horseshoe, immediately to the north. Additional Regional Road funds that can be transferred from the County to pay for construction are being accumulated. These funds are limited, and alone may not be sufficient to fund the ultimate improvements. As a potential "fall back" measure, the County has requested that interim improvements also be designed, which will likely consist of a three-lane arterial street, including a center reversible turn lane, two auto travel lanes and ten-foot wide paved shoulders/bike lanes.

The design effort will identify the costs for rights-of-way acquisition and construction. City staff believes that it is preferable to construct the ultimate improvements if the funding can be found within a reasonable time frame. Estimating the extent of funding that would need to be identified requires that this design project proceed.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Project Vicinity Map
2. Possible Cross Sections (ultimate and interim)