

August 5, 2013

Ms. Tracie Davies
Director
Department of Public Service
City of Columbus
109 N. Front Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Subject: Round 28 OPWC Funding Application - Morse Road Reconstruction

Dear Ms. Davies,

This letter is being provided to document the City of Gahanna's commitment to participate financially in the City of Columbus Morse Road Widening project and support your Round 28 application for OPWC funds. The project addresses the improvement of an important arterial corridor that serves the population of Gahanna.

The City of Gahanna commits \$333,685 toward the total project costs, which will be applied to the construction of a third lane and shared use path along Morse Road, which is partially within the Gahanna City Limits. The project is will widen Morse Road from Trellis Lane to the Route 62 Roundabout project limits (approximately 940 feet west of the intersection with Johnstown Road). These funds will be made available from Gahanna's Permissive Tax Fund. Our commitment is contingent upon the City of Columbus approving the expenditure of funds for their portion of the project.

We are pleased to be working with the City of Columbus to fund this worthwhile roadway project. Any questions related to this matter may be directed to me at (614) 342-4045.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Stinchcomb
Mayor, City of Gahanna

Copies: Michael Miller, Director, Ohio Public Works Commission
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Capital Improvement Project Information



Project Name

Morse Road Columbus Project (US-62 to Trellis Ln.)

Project Type: Improve Existing Infrastructure

Funding Source: Permissive tax

Project Lead: Karl Wetherholt

Five-Year Cost: \$334,000

Department: Public Service

Offsetting Revenue: Permissive tax

Provide a brief project description including why the project is important

This project is being performed by the City of Columbus and will widen Morse Road from Trellis Lane east to the US-62/Morse Road roundabout with Gahanna participation. The total cost for the Columbus project is \$2,375,455 and the Gahanna portion is \$334,000. The street is eligible for Permissive Tax funding which will have sufficient funds available for the 2013 construction timetable. Without Gahanna participation, Columbus will shorten the project to stop just short of Trellis Lane. It is important to Gahanna for Morse Road to be widened to three lanes all the way to Trellis to provide left turns into existing and future commercial areas on the south side of Morse Road that are in Gahanna.

Describe and estimate ongoing operating and maintenance costs and/or savings

This project will have minimal additional impact on maintenance costs.

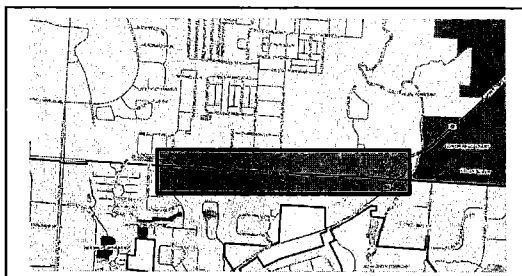
Priority Category: 1

Core Designation: Enhancement

Project Plan

Project Costs	2013 Approp	2014 estimate	2015 estimate	2016 estimate	2017 estimate	Total
Construction		\$334,000				\$334,000
Cost Category						
Cost Category						
Cost Category						
Total		\$334,000				\$334,000

Project Location



Project Visual

