

TO: Thomas R. Kneeland

Members of Council

City Attorney

FROM: Dottie A. Franey

Director of Public Service and Engineering

DATE: July 29, 2016

SUBJECT: Report to Council, August 8, 2016

ACTION ITEMS FROM THE CITY ENGINEER

ACTION ITEM #1 - Request for Permission to Apply to OPWC for Grant

<u>Funding</u>: In an effort to secure funding for Capital Improvements, we are requesting permission to apply for OPWC Grant Funds through the OPWC LTIP and SCIP programs. Eligible projects include improvements to roads, bridges, culverts, water supply systems, wastewater systems, stormwater collections systems, and solid waste disposal facilities. We are preparing to submit an application for both the South Stygler Road and West Johnstown Road Widening Project in order to secure grant funds to help increase capacity of these sections of roadway, alleviate congestion, improve pedestrian connectivity and encourage economic development in this area. These projects are directly tied to our strategic result 2.3 West Side Intersection Completed.

Therefore, we are respectfully requesting a resolution authorizing Gahanna to formally submit a grant application for the 2016 Round 31 OPWC Application to secure grant funds. (RCA attached.)

ACTION ITEM #2 – Request for Permission to Apply for and Accept Grant Funding from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)

Surface Transportation Program (STIP): In an effort to secure funding for Capital Improvements related to Strategic Result 2.3 Westside Intersection Completed of our Strategic Plan, we are requesting permission to apply for and accept Grant Funds through the MORPC Surface Transportation Program. We are preparing to submit an application to try to secure grant funds in an effort to offset the estimated costs to improve the US 62/Stygler, and Stygler/Agler Intersections to help increase capacity of these sections of roadway and intersections, alleviate

congestion, reduce crashes, improve pedestrian connectivity and encourage economic development in this area.

Therefore, we are respectfully requesting a resolution authorizing Gahanna to formally submit a grant application for the 2016 Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) Surface Transportation Program (STIP): (RCA attached.)

ACTION ITEMS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE

There are no action items from the Director of Public Service.

UPDATE

Hamilton Rd Central - Paving of a portion of the new roadway on the northwest sections of the widened portions of Hamilton Road are expected to continue through the end of July and into the first week of August. Once the paving of this section is completed, the western portion and alignment of the northern roundabout will begin to take shape, and all traffic will be shifted from the temporary pavement to the new pavement. This shift is expected the week of 8/8/16. As soon as the lane shift occurs, the final remaining waterline work for the project is expected to begin.

Motorists should continue to expect delays throughout the construction zone, and are encouraged to consider other routes if the wish to avoid a possible delay in their travels.

Paper Shredding and Electronic Recycling Event – This annual event took place last Saturday July 30th from 9:00am-1:00pm. 610 cars came through the event. A total of 21,200 pounds of paper were shredded and GRIN collected 20 boxes of food along with \$1,714.10 in donations.