

TO: Committee of the Whole (CS)

FROM: Rahat Bari, City Engineer

DATE: October 22, 2020

RE: Resolution 20-124-R: Approving a resolution to apply for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding for Fox River Bike Path Construction

Background:

In 2017, The City Council discussed conceptual bike path realignment project along the riverfront of Fox River adjacent to wastewater treatment plan. Based on the discussion and the Council's desire to build the bike path, the Council directed staff to apply for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding in 2017. Unfortunately, the funding application was not successful at that time. Illinois Department of Transportation is currently accepting funding applications for 2020.

Discussion

The ITEP provides funding for community-based projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic and environmental aspects of our transportation infrastructure. The ITEP is designed to promote and develop alternative transportation options, including bike and pedestrian travel, along with streetscape beautification.

If awarded, then the City of Batavia will receive Federal funds reimbursement up to 50 percent for right-of-way and easement acquisition costs, and up to 80 percent for preliminary engineering, utility relocations, construction engineering, and construction costs. Street lighting can qualify for either 80% funding or 50% funding, depending on whether the location is within a designated historic district or not. Hence, the City of Batavia will be responsible for the 20% or 50% local match as the project sponsor. The application process requires that the City of Batavia demonstrates sufficient funds will be set aside to cover the City's local share of the project cost.

Staff has prepared a resolution outlining all these commitments and is presenting to the Council for the approval. The complete application is due on November 2, 2020.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that the City Council approves the attached resolution 20-124-R

**CITY OF BATAVIA, ILLINOIS
RESOLUTION 20-124-R**

**APPROVING A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT
PROGRAM (ITEP) FUNDING FOR FOX RIVER BIKE PATH CONSTRUCTION**

WHEREAS, the City of Batavia is applying for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funds in connection with Fox River Bike Path Construction; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the City of Batavia will receive Federal funds reimbursement up to 50 percent for right-of-way and easement acquisition costs, and up to 80 percent for preliminary engineering, utility relocations, construction engineering, and construction costs. Street lighting can qualify for either 80% funding or 50% funding, depending on whether the location is within a designated historic district or not; and

WHEREAS, the City of Batavia will be responsible for the 20% or 50% local match as the project sponsor; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City of Batavia demonstrates sufficient funds will be set aside to cover the City's local share of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, the City of Batavia commits to fund required portion of the project to cover its share of preliminary engineering, design engineering, right-of-way and easement acquisition construction engineering and construction costs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Batavia, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute this resolution acknowledging the obligations and responsibilities of the City of Batavia as outlined above.

CITY OF BATAVIA, ILLINOIS RESOLUTION 20-124-R

PRESENTED to the City Council of the City of Batavia, Illinois, this 2nd day of November 2020.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Batavia, Illinois, this 2nd day of November 2020.

APPROVED by me as Mayor of said City of Batavia, Illinois, this 2nd day of November 2020

Jeffery D. Schielke, Mayor

Ward	Aldersperson	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	Aldersperson	Ayes	Nays		Absent	Abstain
1	O'Brien					Baerren					
2	Callahan					Wolff					
3	Meitzler					Chanzit					
4	Malay					Knopp					
5	Uher					Beck					
6	Cerone					Russotto					
7	McFadden					Miller					
Mayor Schielke											
VOTE:		Ayes		Nays		Absent		Abstentions			
Total holding office:		Mayor and 14 aldermen									

ATTEST:

Ellen Posledni, City Clerk