



Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG Transportation Subcommittee

FROM: Paul Livingston, Chairperson

DATE: April 6, 2023

SUBJECT: **Next Meeting: April 13, 2023**

Please be advised that the business of the CMCOG Transportation Subcommittee will be conducted on **Thursday, April 13th, at 12:00 p.m.** in the CMCOG Virtual Conference Room. Enclosed, please find an agenda and support materials for your review.

Please note that this meeting will be held virtually using a Zoom platform. The zoom link can be found on the attached agenda.

Please be advised that in order for the Subcommittee to conduct business, a quorum of three (3) out of the six (6) local governments or appointed members must be present. Delays in conducting business may result in delays to the flow of funding to CMCOG for carrying out transportation planning activities, so please don't forget to mark your calendars.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Reginald Simmons of the CMCOG staff. Reginald can be reached at 803-744-5133 or by email at rsimmons@centralmidlands.org. Thank you for your time, dedication, and service as I look forward to seeing each of you on **April 13th**.

Enclosures

AGENDA

TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023

12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM

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Meeting ID: 872 7009 5528 ♦ Passcode: 990078 ♦ Dial-In Number (646) 558 8656

OVERALL AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Introductions, and Call to Order..... Paul Livingston**

2. **InvocationOpen**

3. **Determination of a Quorum Entire Group**

ACTION —→ 4. **Approval of the February 9, 2023 Meeting MinutesEntire Group**
(Enclosure 1)

ACTION —→ 5. **2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – TAP Projects R. Simmons**
The Central Midlands Council of Governments’ staff will request a recommendation of approval to accept two (2) transportation alternatives projects for the COATS MPO Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). (Enclosure 2)

ACTION —→ 6. **2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – Lower Saluda Greenway R. Simmons**
The purpose of the Lower Saluda Greenway, a proposed 10.5-mile multi-use paved path along the north side of the Lower Saluda River, is to increase safe access to nearby parks, trails, and destinations, aid in short-trip multimodal travel, and increase regional connectivity and unity between the Lexington and Irmo areas with the communities of Columbia, West Columbia, and Cayce. Staff will request approval to add \$656K in TAP funds to the 2020 – 2027 TIP. (Enclosure 3)

ACTION —→ 7. **FY 2024 & 2025 Unified Planning Work Program R. Simmons**
The 2024 & 2025 COATS Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is based on the COATS’s 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan, which was updated and approved by the Policy Committee on December 9, 2021. Emphasis has been placed on developing a program which can be reasonably accomplished with available staff and consultant resources, and which is consistent with the priorities of the COATS area. This 2024 & 2025 UPWP emphasizes activities that promote the implementation of the existing plan. (Enclosure 4)

8. **Old/New Business Paul Livingston**
a. **SCDOT Project Updates..... SCDOT**

9. **Public Comments..... Open**

10. **Adjourn Paul Livingston**

MEETING SUMMARY

Transportation Subcommittee

February 9, 2023

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Others Attending</u>
Richland County	Paul Livingston (CHAIR)	
Town of Lexington:	Steve MacDougall	
City of Cayce:	Elise Partin	Tracy Hegler
Lexington County:	Todd Cullum Charli Wessinger	Holland Leger
ABLESC:	Brittany Terry	
The COMET:		Michelle Ransom
SCDOT:		Erin Porter Diane Lackey Jim Walden
CMCOG Staff:		Reginald Simmons Ben Mauldin
Guest:		Roland Bart

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Call to Order

Paul Livingston welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. Invocation

Ben Mauldin gave the invocation.

3. Determination of a Quorum

It was determined that a quorum was present.

4. Approval of the November 10, 2022, Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Steve MacDougall to approve the minutes of November 10, 2022. The motion was seconded Elise Partin. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

5. 2045 LRTP Amendment – 2022 STAMP System Performance Report

Reginald Simmons requested a recommendation of approval to amend the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan to add the 2022 STAMP System Performance Report. Erin Porter from SCDOT gave a presentation and overview regarding the 2022 STAMP System Performance Report. The SCDOT Office of Planning has completed the 2022 STAMP System Performance Report that reflects SCDOT's progress towards statewide performance measures that are included in the Strategic 10-Year Asset Management Plan (STAMP). This report is created on a biennial basis in conjunction with the submittal of performance measures and the progress made towards those targets. For the 2022 System Performance Report, the agency has wrapped up the first performance period (2018-2021), and has set baseline, 2-year and 4-year targets for the second performance period (2022-2025). This report is part of federal regulatory requirement 23 CFR 450.324 (f) (3-4).

Through the federal rulemaking process, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is requiring state DOTs and MPOs (and by extension the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is requiring COGs) to monitor the transportation system using specific performance measures. These measures are associated with the national goal areas prescribed in MAP-21 and the FAST Act. The following System Performance Report describes these national goal areas, rulemakings, performance areas, and prescribed measures. Performance measures have been identified for highway systems, including a set of measures to assess progress toward achieving the goals of the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Program. The requirements and targets of these measures and tools to calculate them are summarized in this report.

A brief discussion took place after the presentation.

MOTION, approved

At this time, a motion was made by Todd Cullum to amend the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan to add the 2022 STAMP System Performance Report. The motion was seconded by Charli Wessinger. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

6. 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – Julius Felder Phase III Sidewalk Project

Reginald Simmons requested a recommendation of approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$333K to the Julius Felder Phase III Sidewalk Project. The City of Cayce has been developing a sidewalk project along Julius Felder Road over the past 10 years. This sidewalk has been developed through several phases. Currently, the city is working on Phase III which is from Hemlock Street to Frink Street. The original cost of this project was estimated to be \$196,176. Due to increased right of way and construction cost, additional funding was needed.

MOTION, approved

At this time, a motion was made by Steve MacDougall to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$333,000 in Transportation Alternatives Program funds to the Julius Felder Phase III Sidewalk Project. The motion was seconded by Todd Cullum. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

7. 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment – Corley Mill Road

Reginald Simmons requested approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$250K to conduct a feasibility analysis for the Corley Mill Road Corridor. The Central Midlands Council of Governments and Columbia Area Transportation Study (COATS) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) serves as the comprehensive plan for transportation investment to support the safe and efficient movement of people and goods within the CMCOG region and the Columbia urbanized area through the plan horizon year of 2045. It establishes the purpose and need for major projects included in the federal transportation funding program, identifies activities to address major transportation issues, and prioritizes investments in the transportation system.

Based on this plan, a feasibility study has been requested for the Corley Mill Road Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. SCDOT will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

The study will be conducted from North Lake Drive (SC 6) to Sunset Blvd (US 378).

MOTION, approved

At this time a motion was made by Todd Cullum to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$250K to conduct a feasibility analysis for the Corley Mill Road Corridor. The motion was seconded by Steve MacDougall. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

8. Old/New Business

There were none.

9. Public Comments

There were none.

10. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG **Transportation Subcommittee**

FROM: Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/Transportation Director

DATE: April 6, 2023

SUBJECT: **COATS Transportation Alternatives Projects**

REQUESTED ACTION

The Central Midlands Council of Governments' staff requests a recommendation of approval to amend the 2020 -2027 TIP to add two (2) transportation alternatives projects to the COATS Transportation Alternatives Program contingent upon funding availability and project eligibility.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

As part of the Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a reimbursable, federal aid funding program for transportation related community projects designed to strengthen the intermodal transportation system.

It provides funding for projects that enhance the cultural, aesthetic, historic, and environmental aspects of the intermodal transportation system. The program can assist in funding projects that create bicycle and pedestrian facilities, pedestrian trails, pedestrian streetscaping activities, and other transportation related enhancements.

Staff has reviewed two (2) transportation alternatives projects for the COATS Transportation Alternatives Program. These projects were received by the deadline of 2:00 p.m. on March 22nd. Through our evaluation and review, it has been determined that these two (2) projects are eligible for funding. Staff will request to amend the 2020 - 2027 TIP to include these projects in the COATS MPO TAP Program. Attached, please find the list of transportation alternatives projects recommended for funding.

ATTACHMENT

N. Lucas Street TAP Project
Foreman Street TAP Project

Mayor
Elise Partin

Mayor Pro-Tem
James E. Jenkins

Council Members
Phil Carter
Tim James
Hunter Sox

City Manager
Tracy Hegler

Deputy City Manager
Jim Crosland
Assistant City Manager
Michael Conley



March 20, 2023

Central Midlands Council of Governments
Attn: Reginald E. Simmons
236 Stonehenge Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: FY23 COATS MPO TAP Application – Foreman Street Multiuse Trail Project

The City of Cayce is pleased to submit its 2023 Transportation Alternatives project – Foreman Street Multiuse Trail. This “Rails to Trails” project aims to increase the walkability of the City of Cayce and provide safe, reliable transportation to our citizens accessing our growing River Arts District and adjacent destinations.

This project meets a specific need of our community, increases access and connectivity and aligns with the City of Cayce’s vision, “to collaborate with our citizens, business leaders, and community groups to deliver excellent services, and plan for our future generations, all while preserving, protecting and enhancing the quality of life.” It also builds upon prior and existing Transportation Alternatives projects to expand pedestrian connectivity through improved sidewalks along Frink Street.

The City of Cayce is committing a 20% match to cover construction costs required to complete this multiuse trail project, in compliance with TAP guidelines. Please feel free to contact me at thegler@caycesc.gov or 803-550-9522 should you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tracy Hegler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tracy" and last name "Hegler" clearly distinguishable.

Tracy Hegler, AICP
City Manager

A. ELIGIBILITY DEMONSTRATION: "SEE ATTACHED" IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

1. Does the project meet the requirements outlined in the FAST Act?

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YES

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NO

2. Does project conform to applicable requirements of Americans with Disabilities Act and any other state or federal laws concurring accessibility?

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YES

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NO

Explain how the project meets the eligibility requirements:

The Foreman Street Multiuse Trail project meets the requirements outlined in the FAST Act. The focus for this project is safety and accessibility for the citizens of Cayce.

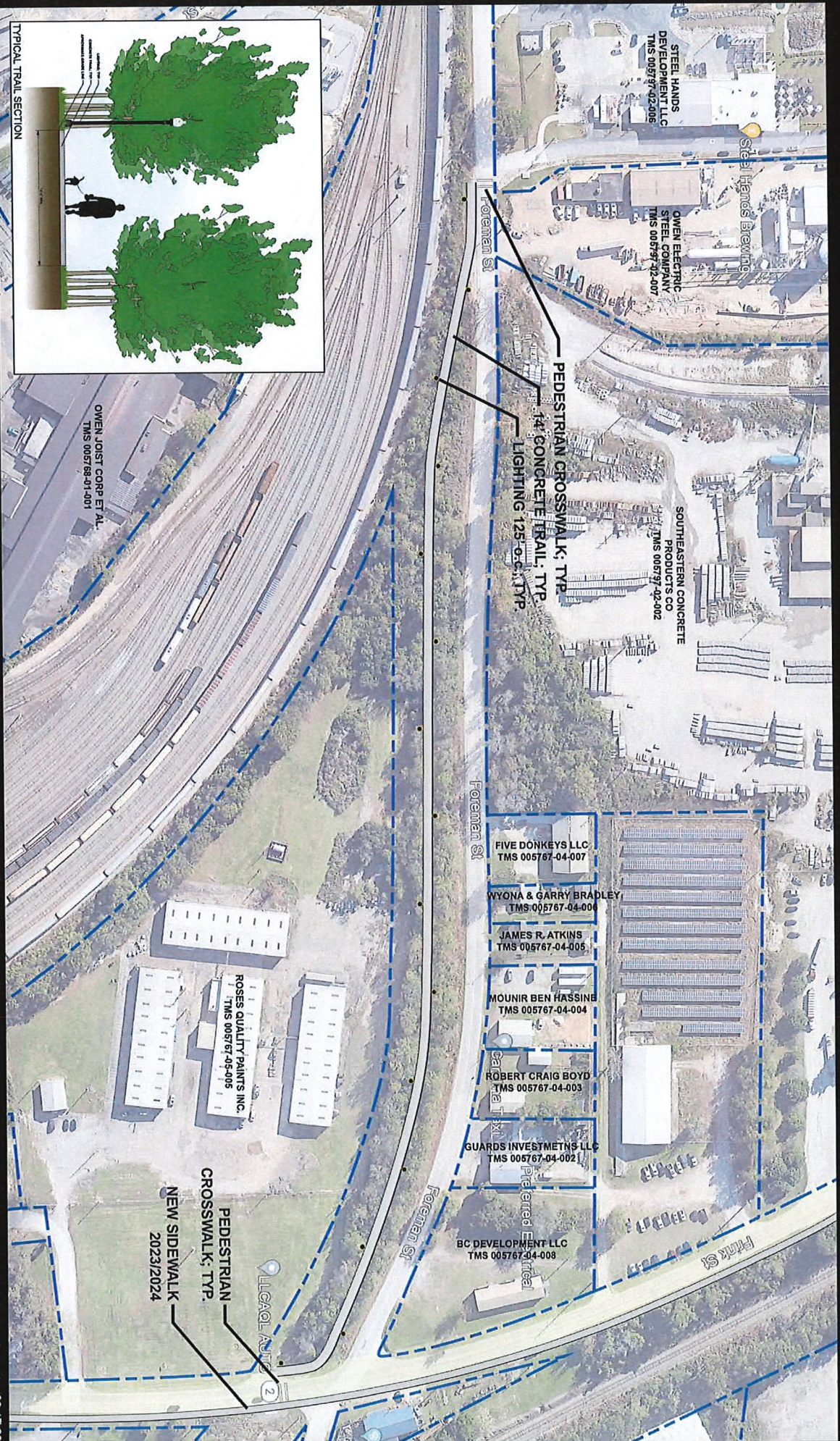
This project includes the construction of an ADA compliant, concrete multiuse trail beginning at 2350 Foreman Street, Cayce and ending at the intersection of Frink Street and Foreman Street

This project aims to increase the walkability of the City of Cayce and provide safe, reliable transportation to our citizens accessing our growing River Arts District. Frink Street connects to 12th Street, where many up and coming businesses are located. This corridor also leads directly to the Lyles Street entrance of our Riverwalk Park.

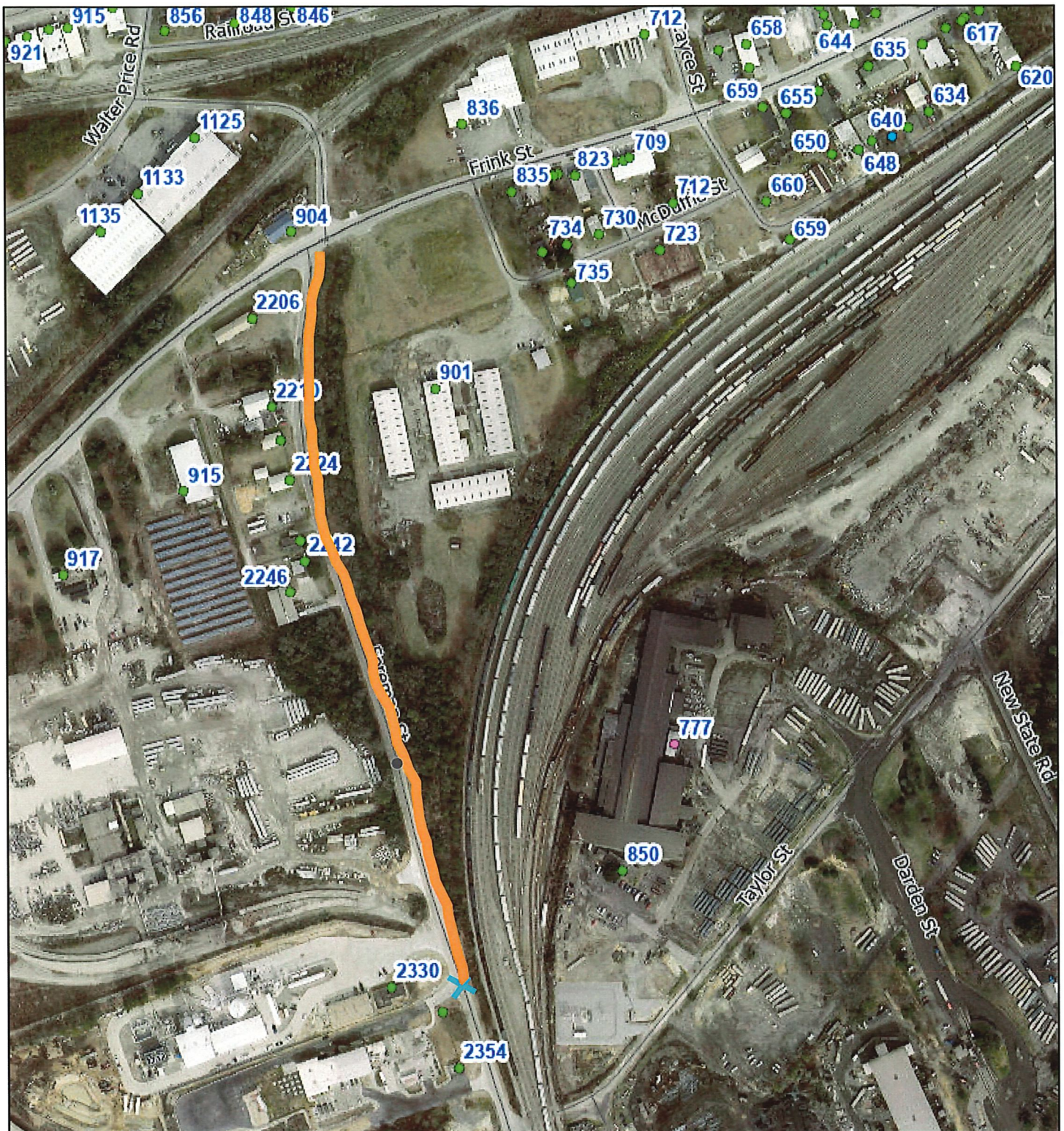
This project will ensure a complete ADA compliant multiuse trail for citizens of Cayce. This trail will ensure a safe non-motorized transportation network on a street currently lacking such network. The project will encourage safe pedestrian access through an area in dire need of pedestrian improvements. In return, creating a less hazardous environment in which increased pedestrian activity will be encouraged due to the growing commercial corridor.

Over one thousand residents would have convenient access to the multiuse trail once completed. Currently, there is no existing accessible/ADA compliant trail along this roadway, and we have pedestrians regularly on the roadways in these areas trying to reach their destinations. This multiuse trail will provide a safe walkway for pedestrians following the guidance of the SCDOT Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Plan. Further, this project would build upon and connect to prior Transportation Alternatives projects improving sidewalks along Frink Street. Expanding our walkability network is vital for the accessibility and safety of our residents and those on the roadways and is in accordance with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

CAYCE RAILS TO TRAILS FOREMAN ST. TO FRINK ST. CAYCE, SC



TAP Rails to Trails



3/16/2023, 4:23:50 PM

Address Points

Roads

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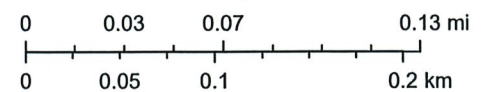
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Taylor Gray



From:

Fredendall, Joseph D. <FredendallJD@scdot.org>

Thursday, March 16, 2023 2:43 PM

Taylor Gray

RE: TAP Project Feasibility Letter - City of Cayce

Taylor,

There are no objections to the concept of the project provided it can be designed and constructed in accordance with SCDOT standards and specifications. The SCDOT currently references the PROWAG 2005 draft.

JOSEPH D. FREDENDALL, PE

District Permit Engineer – District 1

SC Department of Transportation

D 803.737.0208 | O 803.737.6660

1400 Shop Road - Columbia, SC 29201

From: Taylor Gray <TGray@caycesc.gov>

Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2023 2:39 PM

To: Fredendall, Joseph D. <FredendallJD@scdot.org>

Subject: TAP Project Feasibility Letter - City of Cayce

*** This is an EXTERNAL email. Please do not click on a link or open any attachments unless you are confident it is from a trusted source. ***

Good afternoon Joseph,

I am working on our COATS MPO TAP application for the City of Cayce. I need to see who can review our information and provide a feasibility letter or let us know if there would be any roadblocks to this project.

The project includes the construction of an ADA-compliant, 2,300 LF of concrete multiuse path beginning at Steel Hands, 2350 Foreman St, Cayce and ending at the intersection of Frink Street and McDuffie.

Attached is our preliminary information. I'm not sure what information is required, but let me know what, if anything, I can provide.

Thank you so much for your time and help with this request!

Taylor Gray

Grants Manager

City of Cayce

tgray@caycesc.gov

March 1, 2023

WEST
COLUMBIA
• HEAD WEST •



Reginald Simmons
Central Midlands Council of Governments
236 Stoneridge Drive
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Mr. Simmons:

The City of West Columbia is pleased to submit its 2023 TAP Application. The project addresses much a much-needed sidewalk addition within the city. To demonstrate our dedication to this project, the City of West Columbia is committing a 20% match to cover construction costs required to complete the project in compliance with TAP guidelines. We look forward to partnering with CMCOG and SC DOT on a successful project.

Please feel free to contact me at 803-791-1880 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Tara Greenwood

Tara Greenwood
Assistant City Administrator of Development

Mayor

Temus C. "Tem" Miles, Jr.

Mayor Pro-Tem

R. Trevor Bedell

Council Members

Jimmy Brooks

Joseph D. Dickey, Jr.

Mike Green

Casey Jordan Hallman

David B. Moya

Erin Parnell Porter

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West Columbia, SC 29171

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A. ELIGIBILITY DEMONSTRATION: "SEE ATTACHED" IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

1. Does the project meet the requirements outlined in the FAST Act?

☒ YES

☐ NO

2. Does project conform to applicable requirements of Americans with Disabilities Act and any other state or federal laws concurring accessibility?

☒ YES

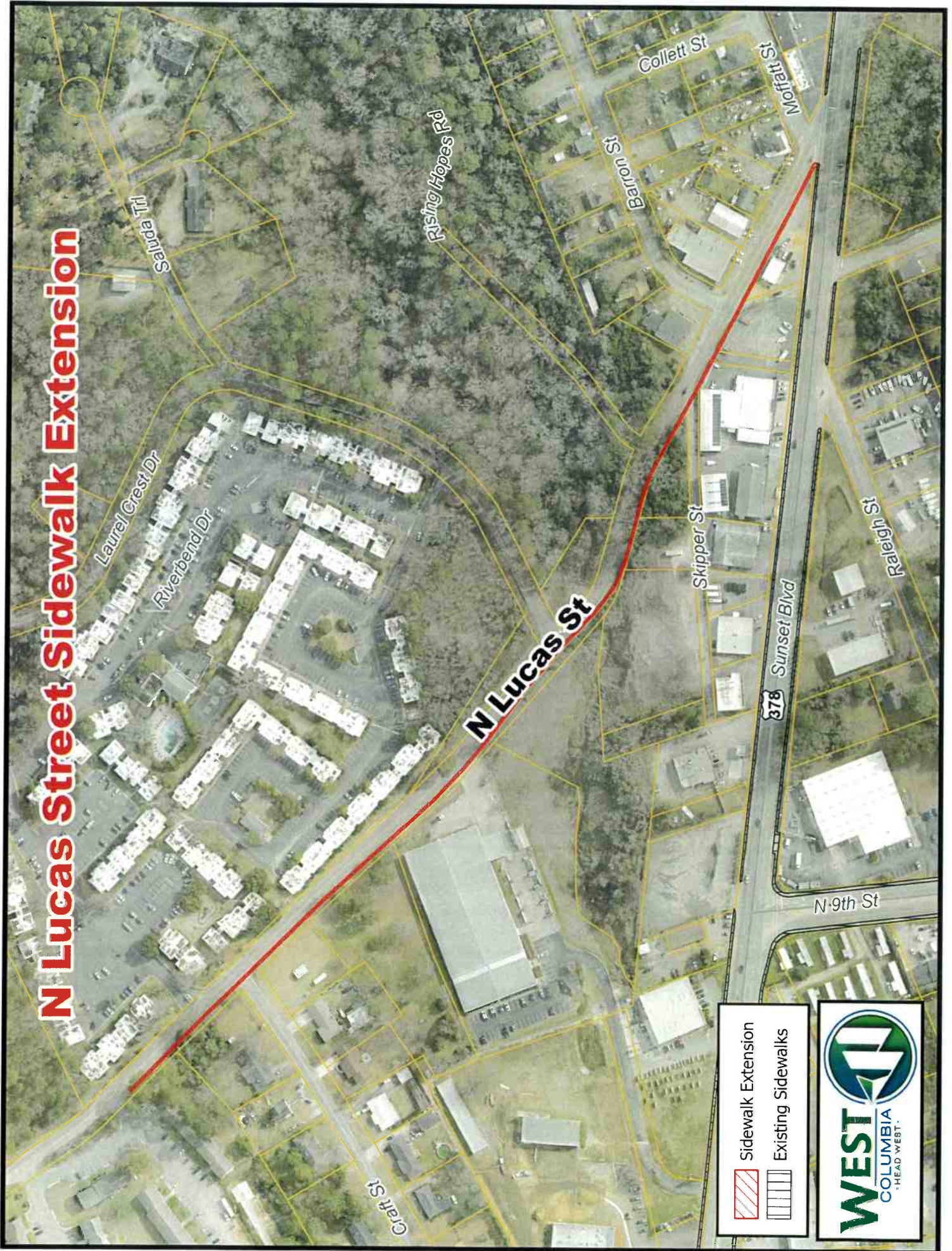
☐ NO

Explain how the project meets the eligibility requirements:

This project aims to increase the walkability of the City of West Columbia and provide safe, ADA compliant, and reliable transportation to the residents along N. Lucas Street. On North Lucas Street, there is a multitude of mixed-income housing developments, businesses, and it is located a short distance from the entrance to Riverwalk Park.

This sidewalk will provide a safe walkway for pedestrians following the guidance of the SC DOT Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Plan. Expanding our sidewalk network is vital for the accessibility and safety of our residents and those on the roadways and is in accordance with the City's Bike and Pedestrian Masterplan.

N Lucas Street Sidewalk Extension



Katherine Call



Attachments:

Fredendall, Joseph D. <FredendallJD@scdot.org>
Tuesday, March 14, 2023 9:02 AM
Katherine Call
Moore, Harriett; Haggard, Caroline O.; Bailey, Daniel J.
RE: TAP Project Feasibility Letter- West Columbia
COATS MPO TAP N.Lucas.pdf

[EXTERNAL]

Katherine,

SCDOT has no objections to the proposed project provided it meets all SCDOT standards, currently SCDOT references the Public Rights-of-Way-Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) 2005 draft for accommodations within the Right-of-Way.

JOSEPH D. FREDENDALL, PE

District Permit Engineer – District 1
SC Department of Transportation
D 803.737.0208 | O 803.737.6660
1400 Shop Road - Columbia, SC 29201

From: Moore, Harriett <MooreHC@scdot.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2023 8:55 AM
To: Katherine Call <kcall@westcolumbiasc.gov>
Cc: Fredendall, Joseph D. <FredendallJD@scdot.org>
Subject: RE: TAP Project Feasibility Letter- West Columbia

Good morning, Katherine,

The County offices are now processing predominantly utility, construction drives, additional drives, etc. within the Contracts/Permit office. Joseph Fredendall is our District Permit Engineer and I have copied him on this email. Joseph is great to work with and I am sure he will be able to help you. We have partnered well with the City of West Columbia in the past and hope to continue. Please tell Tara hello and thanks!

Thanks,
HC

Harriett (HC) Caldwell-Moore
Assistant Resident Maintenance Engineer
SCDOT
Lexington Maintenance
803-359-4103



Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG **Transportation Subcommittee**

FROM: Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/Transportation Director

DATE: April 6, 2023

SUBJECT: 2020 – 2027 TIP Amendment - Lower Saluda Greenway

REQUESTED ACTION

The Central Midlands Council of Governments' staff requests a recommendation of approval to amend the 2020 – 2027 TIP to add \$656K in TAP funding for the regionally significant Lower Saluda Greenway Phase III.

BACKGROUND

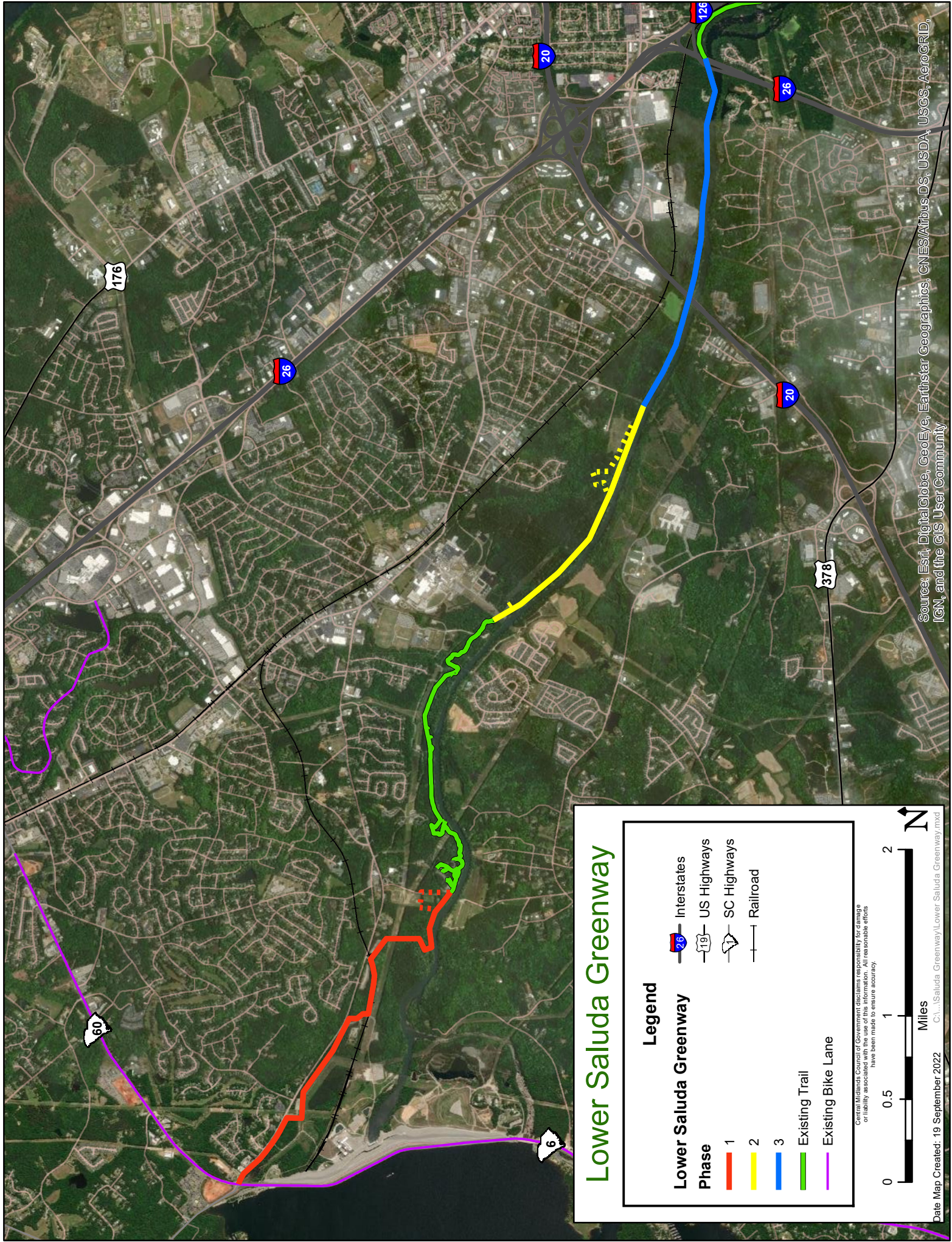
The purpose of the Lower Saluda Greenway, a proposed 10.5-mile multi-use paved path along the north side of the Lower Saluda River, is to increase safe access to nearby parks, trails, and destinations, aid in short-trip multimodal travel, and increase regional connectivity and unity between the Lexington and Irmo areas with the communities of Columbia, West Columbia, and Cayce.

Through high use of existing facilities and advocacy for additional facilities, the community has made it abundantly clear that connected, safe, and comfortable non-motorized transportation and recreational facilities are of paramount importance. The current active transportation network lacks connectivity between communities in Irmo and Lexington and those in Cayce, Columbia, and West Columbia, limiting non-motorized access to critical destinations and recreational amenities. Addressing this lack of connectivity will provide multimodal transportation choices, healthier lifestyles, access to the outdoors, a higher quality of life, and a more vibrant regional character.

Please note that phases I & II have been solicited to begin preliminary engineering. They have been fully funded through other sources of funding. Approval of this request will complete funding for all three phases of the project.

ATTACHMENT

Lower Saluda Greenway Executive Summary



Lower Saluda Greenway

Legend

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| Lower Saluda Greenway | Interstates |
| Phase | US Highways |
| 1 | SC Highways |
| 2 | Railroad |
| 3 | |
| Existing Trail | |
| Existing Bike Lane | |

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Memorandum

TO: All Members of the CMCOG **Transportation Subcommittee**

FROM: Reginald Simmons, Deputy Executive Director/Transportation Director

DATE: April 13, 2023

SUBJECT: **FY 2024 & 2025 UPWP**

REQUESTED ACTION

The Central Midlands Council of Governments staff will request a recommendation of approval to adopt the FY 2024 & 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The 2024 & 2025 COATS Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is based on the COATS's 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan, which was updated and approved by the Policy Committee on December 9, 2021. Emphasis has been placed on developing a program which can be reasonably accomplished with available staff and consultant resources and which is consistent with the priorities of the COATS area. This 2024 & 2025 UPWP emphasizes activities that promote the implementation of the existing plan. The major projects to be completed in this two year timeframe include:

Congestion Management Plan Update

In partnership with the COATS MPO, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) intends to pilot an objective-focused and performance-based CMP that can serve as a model process for all MPOs in South Carolina. Through this pilot, a CMP will be developed for the Columbia Area Transportation Study (COATS).

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

Regional Mobility Program

In partnership with the COATS MPO, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) intends to pilot a data driven and performance-based analysis of congested corridors in the COATS MPO Planning area to identify the transportation needs and mitigation strategies to address those needs. Through this pilot, the RMP will serve as a model process for all TMAs in South Carolina.

Consultant: SCDOT/COATS MPO Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

US 1 (Pontiac) Corridor Feasibility Study

Based on 2045 LRTP, a feasibility study will be conducted for the US 1 Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. COATS MPO will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

Consultant: TBA

Estimated Completion Date: September 2024

Regional Freight Plan

The purpose of this initiative is to assist CMCOG/COATS MPO, SCDOT and local governments in understanding freight trends and needs in the region. The study will identify potential projects for more detailed analysis and policies for consideration by the MPO Policy Committee and local governments.

Consultant: TBA

Estimated Completion Date: October 2024

Regional ITS Architecture

This project consists of creating a tool that will develop the basic framework for integrating different Intelligent Transportation System Projects throughout the CMCOG/COATS region.

Consultant: TBA

Estimated Completion Date: June 2024

SC 6 Corridor Feasibility Study

Based on 2045 LRTP, a feasibility study will be conducted for the SC 6 Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. COATS MPO will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

Consultant: TBA

Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

Corley Mill Road Corridor Feasibility Study

Based on 2045 LRTP, a feasibility study will be conducted for the Corley Mill Road Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. COATS MPO will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

Consultant: TBA

Estimated Completion Date: September 2024

US 76/176 Corridor Feasibility Study

Based on 2045 LRTP, a feasibility study will be conducted for the US 76/176 Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. SCDOT will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

Blythewood Road/US 21 Corridor Feasibility Study

Based on 2045 LRTP, a feasibility study will be conducted for the Blythewood Road/US 21 Corridor. This analysis will be conducted as part of the SCDOT Feasibility Report. SCDOT will devise a project development team that will define the project scope, goals and objectives, purpose and need, potential environmental, cultural, and social impacts, estimated cost, schedule, benefit/cost analysis, and risk analysis.

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: December 2024

COATS MPO Transportation Planning Initiatives

This project consists of updating the COATS MPO Transportation Planning Initiatives based on the 2020 Census data. Changes to the planning initiatives may require approval from SCDOT, FHWA and/or FTA.

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: June 2024

Complete Streets Economic Impact Analysis

The COATS MPO in partnership with SCDOT will implement the Complete Streets Initiative to further community goals, including economic development. This project will explore indicators of economic development activity before SCDOT implements Complete Streets projects. The findings of this project will inform future data collection and management, policy development, selection of corridors, and implementation of future Complete Streets projects.

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: June 2024

Regional Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan

The COATS MPO in partnership with SCDOT will develop a Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan for the entire CMCOG and COATS MPO Planning Areas. The overall transportation goal is to develop a complete mobility system of transportation modes by building and upgrading the quality of transportation infrastructure through an equitable, functional, accessible, and sustainable balance of an interconnectivity of transportation modes thus improving the quality of life and movement for all residents.

Consultant: TBA Estimated Completion Date: December 2024