City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 8, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Aaron King, Assistant City Manager

Toneq' McCullough P.E., Director of Transportation

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the Installation of a Traffic Signal at the Intersection of South Main Street and US 421 North Bound Ramp Exit Ramp 233A

Strategic Focus Area: Quality Transportation

Strategic Objective: No

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The Winston-Salem Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has been made aware of a recurring traffic safety matter at the intersection of South Main Street and US 421 NB Exit Ramp 233A. This intersection was recently reconfigured due to the Main Street bridge replacement and reconstruction of the roadway which removed the traffic signal that once controlled the vehicular movements.

Since the re-opening of Salem Parkway, after reconstruction, traffic accidents have been recurring at this intersection. Accident data collected at the subject location indicate that motorists are failing to yield at the intersection as it was designed. Given the recent crash history and growing safety concern at this intersection, WSDOT requested that the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) allow the intersection to be placed back under traffic signal control based on increased frequency of accidents occurrence, under the current configuration. This request was formally submitted in March of 2022. After negotiating the fee structure, NCDOT has reviewed and approved the request for a traffic signal at the subject location in the amount of \$134,000.00.

This council action would grant the authority to the City Manager to enter into an agreement with NCDOT to reimburse the City of Winston-Salem for actual costs associated with the design and construction of the traffic signal up to \$134,000.00.

Committee Action:			
Committee	Finance 8/8/22 Public Works 8/9/22	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	
Remarks:		_	