

Work Session Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held on Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at 9:55 p.m., Mayor Rusty Paul presiding.

Councilmembers present: Council Member John Paulson, Council Member Ken Dishman, Council Member Graham McDonald, Council Member Gabriel Sterling, Council Member Tibby DeJulio, and Council Member Andy Bauman.

STAFF DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Works

1. **15-369** Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the I-285 at SR 400 Interchange Reconstruction and Collector-Distributor Project (GDOT PI #0013546)

Director of Public Works Garrin Coleman stated this MOU will set the framework in how the City will make its contribution of \$1 million towards the multiuse path. In the agreement there is a specific section on page four where it outlines six different cost responsibilities. The first would be to provide a letter of commitment for maintenance of mast arm assemblies that exceed the sixty-five foot span that is currently approved by GDOT. Number two is the completion of the project and regular maintenance of traffic signals and/or lighting assemblies installed as part of the project. Staff will get a clarification on the lighting assemblies and that they are only associated with the mast arms. Item three is to a fund completion of the project providing regular maintenance and security. The Police Department will be providing security for the special use trail, once it is installed. Item four is upon completion of the project to provide regular maintenance and mowing and replacement of landscaping, once installed. The City will mow and conduct litter pickup. Number five is to provide technical support to the GDOT developer and consulting that are needed for development of the project. Number six is to pay for the project cost as indicated in Exhibit A. That is the \$1 million the City has placed in the FY16 budget.

Council Member Gabriel Sterling asked if the mast arms are for the lighting on the trail.

Director of Public Works Coleman responded no. The money refers to the multiuse part, but there are also costs for maintaining the mast arms, which the City already does at interchanges throughout the City. Any of the ramps with mast arms will be installed as well with the PCID logo and overhead illuminated street signs.

Council Member Sterling asked if the entire interchange will be like this.

Director of Public Works Coleman stated any mast arms will be replaced in kind.

Council Member John Paulson asked if the City has any other trails that are patrolled by the Police Department.

Police Chief Ken DeSimone stated the only way to patrol this area is with police mountain bicycles which the department does have in the inventory of equipment. Officers will need to be assigned specifically to patrol this area.

Council Member Sterling stated as the City builds up its trail system, a system will need to be adopted for this. He asked if a plan is in place for more pedestrian orientated policing as we will have people walking the City Center and the trail systems at night.

Police Chief DeSimone stated the more officers he has, the more prepared the department can be.

Council Member Tibby DeJulio asked if near the City's inception there were police officers on bicycles.

Police Chief DeSimone stated police officers patrol the City during special events. A police officer on a bicycle cannot respond to normal police calls.

Council Member Paulson stated maybe there is a way to patrol by installing security cameras in some of these areas.

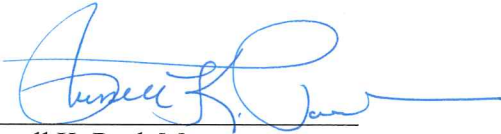
Police Chief DeSimone stated the City has two ATV type vehicles that, if needed, can access the trails.

Director of Public Works Coleman stated currently the multiuse path is projected to be twelve feet wide.

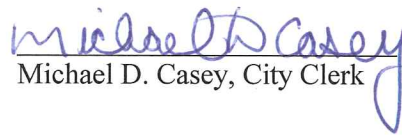
There was a consensus of Council to move this item forward to a Regular City Council meeting agenda.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Date Approved: October 6, 2015

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Russell K. Paul, Mayor

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Michael D. Casey, City Clerk