



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – September 14, 2016 Agenda Item 1A

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Additional Design Funds Cost for the Flower Avenue Green Street Project

Recommended Council Action

Adopt the ordinance.

Context with Key Issues

Development of the Flower Avenue Green Street project has been underway since July 28, 2012. The City contracted with Rummel, Klepper and Kahl (RKK) to perform the design phase and prepare construction documents. The scope of the project originally envisioned has been expanded significantly. The original contract amount was for \$275,755.

In July, 2014, and in April 27, 2016, additional funds were authorized by Council for added design costs associated with more meetings with stakeholders and the community, development of street lighting analysis, Mandatory Referral review process, survey investigation, drawing updates and project coordination with WSSC, Washington Gas, PECO, SHA, Department of Permitting Services and Ride-On.

The design firm has requested an additional funding increase to cover the cost of work to bring the project to final design. These additional costs include the following:

- Revise the Invitation for Bids (IFB) package and prepare 95% design documents for SHA review (this is a new requirement of SHA for the TAP Grant Funds);
- Review comments from SHA and resubmit the 100% design documents for SHA approvals;
- Secure permits and approvals from SHA District 3 and Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services;
- Additional project management hours for coordination with the City and WSSC anticipated through completion of final design documents.

The estimated design costs for the project are expected to be \$573,676. Construction cost estimates are just over \$3,000,000 for the City portion (not including the water main replacement which will be paid for by WSSC).

The City has received over 67% of the estimated costs of the project from other sources. The initial funding received from the State Highway Administration, when the street was originally transferred to the City from the State, was \$696,000. These funds are covering the design costs and any remaining will be allocated to construction.

Funds Committed For The Project:	
State Highway Administration	\$696,000
Chesapeake Bay Trust	\$20,000
Montgomery County	\$200,000
Transportation Alternatives Grant	\$1,040,330
National Fish and Wildlife Federation:	\$168,750
Community Development Block Grant FY16:	\$77,600
WSSC Contribution - Estimate	\$250,000
Total	\$2,452,680

The source of the remaining needed funding of \$1,189,996 is anticipated to come from City funds. WSSC has agreed to contribute fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of all site preparation and maintenance of traffic items related to shared construction.

We anticipate design work to be concluded by February of next year. The bidding process is expected to require six months. The estimated start of construction is likely to be late summer of 2017.

Council Priority

Livable Community for All; Environmentally Sustainable Community

Environmental Impact of Action

The Flower Avenue Green Street Project includes stormwater management features, energy efficient lighting, traffic calming and improvements to and addition of sidewalks and bus facilities to improve their usability.

Fiscal Impact of Action

The original design contract for this project through Rummel, Klepper and Kahl was \$275,755. Supplementary funds of \$177,000 and \$74,578 were approved by the Council on July 28, 2014 and April 27, 2016. Additional costs needed to finalize the design are estimated to be \$46,550. Funds for this work are in the FY17 budget, but the increase to the contract amount for RKK needs to be approved by Council.

Attachments and Links

Draft ordinance.

Introduced by:

Single Reading

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 2016 -
AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL DESIGN AND ENGINEERING WORK FOR THE
FLOWER AVENUE GREEN STREET PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Ordinance 2012-26 on May 21, 2012, authorizing a contract with Rummel, Klepper and Kahl, (RKK) in the amount of \$275,755 for development of the Flower Avenue Green Street Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Ordinance 2014-45 on July 28, 2014 , authorizing additional funding in the amount of \$177,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Ordinance 2016 -15 on April 27, 2016 , authorizing additional funding in the amount of \$74,578; and

WHEREAS, City staff and the design team have been working diligently to develop the project, and inform the public about the project; and

WHEREAS, as the project continues to be developed additional elements have been added and costs incurred that were not originally envisioned; and

WHEREAS, RKK has notified the City that additional funding in the amount of \$46,550 is needed to complete the final design; and

WHEREAS, funding for the design portion of the project comes from the Maryland State Highway Administration through a road transfer and funding agreement that provides the City the sum of \$696,000 for the design and construction of improvements to Flower Avenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to revise the original contract agreement with Rummel, Klepper and Kahl.

SECTION 2. This additional contract amount is Forty Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$46,550).

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this ____ day of September, 2016 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: