



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of Maricopa, Arizona Authorizing the submission of grant applications to the Arizona Department of Transportation, Transportation Enhancement Division in support of funding the beautification of State Route 347 North Entrance of the City of Maricopa and a Shared-Use Pathway, Sidewalk Improvements. Discussion and Action.

The City of Maricopa was awarded funding from the Arizona Department of Transportation, Transportation Enhancement Division in Round 14 (2007) and Round 16 (2009) as follows.

In January 2007, the City of Maricopa was awarded funds for the John Wayne Parkway (SR 347) and (SR 238) Sidewalk Enhancement Project Phase I. This awarded project is for the construction of 1,820 linear feet of sidewalk beginning at Costa Brava Avenue and ending at the entrance of Bashas' Shopping Center. In addition, sidewalk connection will begin on the west side of SR 347 on the corner of SR 238 and will run parallel to SR 347 traveling 1,110 linear feet.

In 2009, the City of Maricopa was awarded funding John Wayne Parkway (SR 347) Sidewalk Enhancement Project Phase II. This project facilitates a multimodal connection on the north side of town beginning at Cobblestone Farms (west side of the road) traveling 3,674 linear feet south ending at the Intersection of SR 347 and SR 238.

Environmental Clearance for Phase I has been issued by the Arizona Department of Transportation. Design Plans are at 60%. Right of Way and Utilities are working closely due to a utility conflict that may require relocation. A kick-off meeting is scheduled for the Phase II with the Arizona Department of Transportation in May 3, 2012.

The Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) Funded the Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program and provides opportunities for Arizona.

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Act (ISTEA) of 1991 was signed into law by President Bush, and established a new vision for surface transportation in America. The goal of the legislation was to bring the nation's surface transportation system into the 21st Century. Part of this vision included funding for projects that would enhance surface transportation sites across America. In 1998, the work continued with the reauthorization of the act by President Clinton. In August 2005, SAFETELU was signed by President Bush which continues through 2010.

The estimated annual TE funds available to Arizona are currently about \$15 million per year. Arizona Department of Transportation, Environmental and Enhancement Group, Transportation Enhancement and Scenic Roads Section administer the FHWA funded program.

Projects start at the local level as an idea for a specific enhancement. The City then must submit their ideas to their local MPO/COG representative for evaluation. Maricopa will be required to submit the application to the Central Arizona Association of Governments. The TE review committee (TERC) then reviews the TE Program applications for compliance and selects and recommends funding to the Arizona State Transportation Board.

Projects can qualify in 11 eligible activities in Arizona:

- Provision for facilities for pedestrians and bicycles
- Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclist
- Scenic or historic highway programs
- Landscaping and other scenic beautification
- Historic preservation
- Rehabilitation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities
- Preservation of abandoned railway corridors
- Control and removal of outdoor advertising
- Archeological planning and research
- Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity
- Establishment of transportation museums

SR 347 from Edison Road (MP 174) to Smith Enke Road, Maricopa

The City of Maricopa is requesting funding for a shared-use facility (sidewalk) on the west side of the SR 347 starting at Edison and traveling 1,100 linear feet to the entrance of Fry's Marketplace.

SR 347 Monument Entry Feature (MP 173), Maricopa

The City of Maricopa is requesting funding for the design and construction of an entry monument feature at the north entrance of the City of Maricopa.

Both of these projects are considered State Projects due to their location on SR 347 and the Right of Way belongs to the Arizona Department of Transportation. State Projects cannot exceed \$1,000,000. Each total project cost must include a 5.7% match, which is part of the Transportation Enhancement Grant Funds awarded for scope and design costs. Local jurisdictions are responsible for any fees which exceed the cost of the awarded funds as well as ongoing maintenance of the completed project. This means if the City of Maricopa is awarded funding for these two projects and the costs exceed the grant funds, Maricopa is responsible for the "overrun".

Staff recommends approval of the resolution of the Mayor and City Council of Maricopa, Arizona Authorizing the submission of grant applications to the Arizona Department of Transportation, Transportation Enhancement Division in support of funding the beautification of State Route 347 North Entrance of the City of Maricopa and a Shared-Use Pathway, Sidewalk Improvements.