



City of Grand Forks Staff Report

Committee of the Whole – December 12, 2016

Agenda Item: Transportation Alternatives Funding Update

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BACKGROUND:

This staff report is intended to provide some background information on the success that the City has had in regards to construction of public bicycle transportation facilities within the last five years (2011-2016). This staff report will also elaborate the funding that Engineering staff has obtained from the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) Transportation Alternatives (TA) grant program. The TA program has previously been known as the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Transportation Enhancements (TE).

The Engineering Department has been very successful in obtaining federal grant monies through the TA, TAP, and TE programs in the past several years. These grants are competitive in nature, and submitting projects that target the scoring criteria improves the likelihood that the project will receive funding. In the last five years, the City was awarded Federal funding for five projects totaling \$1,076,505. This is approximately 24% of the total urban funds available and appears to be the most allocated to any one city within the state under this program. The table included in the attachment shows the amount of Federal grant funding the City has been awarded/programmed in the last five years compared to other cities within the State.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

- In the last five years, the Engineering Department has secured \$1,076,505 in TA/TAP/TE funding. This represents approximately 24% of the total urban funding allocated throughout the state and appears to be the highest amount granted to any one city within the state.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Previous 5 Years of TA, TAP, & TE Urban Funding Allocations
- Map of TA/TAP/TEU Projects Awarded in the Last Five Years

Previous 5 Years of TA, TAP, & TE Urban Funding Allocations

Program	Fiscal Year (FY)	Urban Funding Available	Grand Forks Project/s Awarded Funding	Grand Forks	Fargo	Bismarck	Mandan	Valley City	Dickinson	Wahpeton	Minot
TA	2017	\$810,455	N 55th St (University-Demers) Shared Use Path	\$171,705	\$250,000	\$138,750	\$0	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	\$0
TAP	2016	\$827,051	Demers Ave (42nd St- 48th St) Shared Use Path	\$290,000	\$0	\$60,473	\$253,644	\$0	\$0	\$222,934	\$0
TAP	2015	\$900,508	-	\$0	\$192,000	\$264,417	\$0	\$286,540	\$0	\$0	\$157,551
TAP	2014	\$1,206,082	S 42nd St (17th -24th Ave S) Shared Use Path Granitoid Pavement Preservation	\$290,000 \$104,000	\$190,000*	?	?	?	?	?	?
TE	2013	\$734,589	S 20th St (34th -47th Ave S) Shared Use Path	\$220,800	\$280,000	\$103,840	\$129,949	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total		\$4,478,685	Total Funding Allocated 2013-2017	\$1,076,505	\$912,000	\$567,480	\$383,593	\$286,540	\$250,000	\$222,934	\$157,551
			Percentage of Funding Allocated	24%	20%	13%	9%	6%	6%	5%	4%

? Indicates unknown funding allocation

* Indicates information taken from Fargo COG September 2013 Meeting packet

<http://www.fmmetrocog.org/new/assets/documents/TTC%20packets/2013/430%20Packet%20September%202013.pdf>

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

TATAP/TEU Projects Awarded in the Last Five Years

