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QUADCO REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**Application for SFY 2018-2019
UPWP Transportation Planning Project Funding**

Applications are due: 3:00 p.m. April 17, 2017

To Be AT LEAD AGENCY (not postmarked)
Applications can be submitted by single signed hard copy by mail, OR signed copy (signature in colored ink) scanned in PDF format and submitted by email

to:
pnollmeyer@co.lincoln.wa.us

Applications must be signed by appropriate agency representatives
(NO Faxed Copies shall be accepted)

NOTE: SEE GUIDANCE CRITERIA for QUALIFYING PROJECTS
&
WSDOT SUBCONTRACTING & EQUIPMENT PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS PAGE 7

BASIC INFORMATION

Agency Name: Town of Odessa

Project Name: East 3rd Avenue Right of Way Study

Road/Street Name: East 3rd Avenue

Location Map Included Yes No

RTPO Eligible Study Yes No

1. COST ESTIMATE AND FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Source	Amount
RTPO UPWP FUNDS REQUESTED	\$28,453
Match	
Other	
TOTAL	\$28,453

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2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Provide a description of your project, including:

- a) Work Items Anticipated:
- b) Budget detail:
- c) Who will perform the work (city, county, consultant):
- d) Project Readiness:
- e) Timelines for completion:

This project for the Town of Odessa will establish limits for the planned 3rd Avenue widening, realignment, and reconstruction project. The Town intended on applying to the Transportation Improvement Board for funding to reconstruct and widen 3rd Avenue from 1st Street to the intersection of 3rd Avenue, 5th Street and Amende Street in 2016 but after looking into property ownership records and discussions with Hospital staff, the ownership of the street in front of the hospital was unclear and resulted in that section of reconstruction being removed from the application.

This project will conduct full title searches for the property, conduct a legal survey of the property lines and establish ownership for the existing roadway. The project will also look at options for reconstructing the roadway in front of the hospital to improve traffic flow, align intersections and provide a safe area for emergency room visit drop offs (see map for more information).

The end product for the project (Work Items) will be a definition of current property ownership, options for improving the roadway alignment to allow for better traffic patterns, and a recommended option for realigning the roadway and recommendation of a parcel that the hospital district can deed over to the Town for right of way.

The budget for the project consists of: \$28,453 which includes \$17,373 in field survey and engineered option generation, \$10,080 in right of way survey and research, and \$1,000 in expenses.

Much of the work will need to be performed by a licensed surveyor and a consultant.

The project is ready to proceed upon funding approval. The Town will expedite the consultant selection process to try and have the majority of the study complete before TIB applications are due in August. The Town will not bypass the requirements of consultant selection but will start work on the process as soon as possible.

If selected for funding, the Town will advertise for a consultant as soon as reasonably possible, conduct interviews and select the most qualified consultant for the work. When approved by WSDOT, work will commence to survey the property lines of the parcels in question and establish the existing right-of-way in the project area. At the same time, title searches will be performed for the parcels within the project area. Along a parallel track, options will be developed and discussed with the hospital district for ways to realign and widen the roadway. Development and analysis of alternatives will be completed in early August to outline the direction for the TIB application.

The finished report will be completed in September and will define the property to be donated to the Town by the Hospital District and a preliminary figure of the recommended alternative.

It is anticipated that all work on the project will be completed before the end of October 2017.

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RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

3. Does this proposal assist in updating the regional transportation plan?

Yes No

If yes, describe how.

4. Does this proposal implement the regional transportation plan?

Yes No

If yes, please include page # references and a narrative describing how.

If no, is it consistent with the plan? (If it is not consistent with the plan, please explain).

The ultimate goal of the project is to improve safety along 3rd Avenue by creating a corridor that follows roadway design guidelines. There are 3 major safety concerns with the existing geometric configuration of 3rd Avenue that will be addressed in through this planning work.

1. Currently, the intersection of 3rd Avenue and 5th Street is offset, causes confusion, and is a safety hazard.
2. 3rd Avenue in front of the hospital is not wide enough for 2 vehicles to pass each other when someone is parked in the marked parking. It acts as an unmarked one way street with local traffic knowing that south and west bound traffic need to proceed through the hospital parking area.
3. Eastbound vehicles are pointed directly at the corner of the hospital building and an unaware driver would drive straight into the corner of the building.

Addressing these items in alternative planning to improve roadway safety is part of the number one goal and objective shown in the RTP on page 7, "*Improve Safety Through Roadway Design.*" This project will address several roadway design issues that are safety concerns through alternative analysis and interaction with hospital personnel. As the main emergency entrance to the hospital, safety should be the utmost concern for this roadway.

The project will also lead to an application with TIB to reconstruct the failing roadway addressing Goal #2 of the RTP which is Preservation and the preservation of Roads and Bridges, listed on page 8 of the plan. 3rd Avenue is a failing roadway and needs to be reconstructed. The best option for the Town to reconstruct the roadway is to apply to TIB for funding. TIB indicated that the Town needed to sort out these property issues prior to applying for funding and this project will meet that requirement and allow the Town to apply for reconstruction funding.

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5. Does this proposal assist in developing or implementing local comprehensive plans?

Yes No

If yes, describe how. If no, please explain why.

The Town completed a pavement management plan, funded through a QuadCo grant, in 2016 which identified the need to reconstruct 3rd Avenue and address the safety concerns identified. This project will be a significant step in accomplishing the goal of reconstructing 3rd Avenue by identifying recommended improvements and property ownership so the Town can pursue TIB funding.

BENEFITS TO REGIONAL SYSTEM

6. Does this proposal benefit safety, efficiency, effectiveness and/or preservation of the regional transportation system?

Yes No

If yes, describe how. If no, please explain why.

The project will result in several safety benefits to the regional transportation system. The recommended improvements developed through this plan will be implemented on a highly-utilized street. 3rd Avenue serves as the emergency entrance to the Odessa Memorial Healthcare Center in Odessa. As a regional emergency healthcare center, the entrance to the facility should be safe and efficient for traffic in an emergency situation as drivers in these scenarios may not be as attentive when under stress and can arrive and depart safely. The unmarked, assumed one way traffic on the street is also a safety concern that will be addressed.

7. Does this proposal benefit transportation infrastructure needs of the region's major sources of economic development and/or communities?

Yes No

Explain

3rd Avenue serves as the entrance for the Odessa Memorial Healthcare Center, a regional medical facility that serves a large portion of Lincoln County as well as portions of Adams and Grant Counties. As a regional facility, the entrance road serves as more than a local street, it serves as a vital link between the highway and necessary

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emergency services. The improvements to this roadway, that will potentially be completed as a result of this project, will be a regional benefit to a large portion of the QuadCo region.

8. Does this proposal examine multimodal travel options, easy connections, and/or reduce delays for people and goods?

Yes No

If yes, explain.

9. Does this proposal demonstrate a cost-effective manner to achieve a viable solution to a potential or recognized problem?

Yes No

If yes, explain.

The proposed plan will look at various alternatives for improving the roadway geometry and prepare cost estimates for the various alternatives to try and find the most economic and safest option. The options will be evaluated for a variety of criteria including cost, safety improvements, longevity, and serviceability to come up with a recommended alternative and funding strategy.

10. Will this proposal compliment other planning and strategy development work in the region, or projects being advanced and promoted by Member Agencies, WSDOT and other agencies?

Yes No

If yes, describe how this study will compliment other work and how the proposed study costs will be used towards the regional transportation system.

This project and plan are stepping stones for the Town of Odessa to apply to TIB for funding to improve 3rd Avenue. This project is in direct support of that effort. The Town tried to apply for funding to TIB in 2016 but the questions surrounding property ownership and right of way issues removed the project from consideration. The reconstruction of 3rd Avenue, especially the portion in front of the hospital, is a high priority for the Town and this plan is an essential part to making that project competitive for funding assistance.

Attach letters of local support, and/or collaborative decision making between jurisdictions and partners.

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CERTIFICATION IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS ACCURATE AND ALL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND INCLUDED AS PART OF THE APPLICATION

Date: 4/17/2017

Mayor

Lois Hubbard

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED MEMBER AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE

TITLE

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CRITERIA for QUALIFYING PROJECTS

Type of Planning Projects considered for possible funding:

Criteria: Agency Planning Projects should be directed toward planning studies or projects, as identified in the goals, objectives and strategies outlined in the QUADCO Regional Transportation Plan. First tier projects fulfill transportation planning needs of regional significance. Second tier projects fulfill planning needs of sub-regional and local significance and used to provide examples to assist other member agencies in their planning efforts. Completion of regional and/or local planning studies fulfills significant needs to improve the sustainability of the QUADCO regions economic vitality. Projects will include possible solutions to issues of safety, preservation, economic vitality, mobility, environment, and stewardship (not necessarily in that order) and generally include:

- a. Collection of data/information and studies specific to regional corridors.
- b. Studies specific to regional and local major market routes
- c. Transportation issues affecting larger geographic scales.
- d. Work promoted by a combined group of member agencies and interested parties.
- e. Work that compliments other planning and strategy development work in the region.
- f. Projects being advanced and promoted by Member Agencies, WSDOT and other agencies.

SUBCONTRACTING & EQUIPMENT PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

ATTENTION: All applicants must comply with the WSDOT/MPO/RTPO Agreement, GCA 1769, Section 12 when subcontracting or purchasing equipment. For your reference, the applicable sections are attached. The complete agreement is available upon request.

Subcontracting and Equipment

12.1 The services of the MPO/RTPO are to be directed by a Project Manager. The MPO/RTPO shall not assign, sublet, or transfer any of the work provided for under this Agreement without prior written approval from the STATE, and the STATE shall review and approve the MPO/RTPO's consultant agreement prior to execution. The MPO/RTPO shall comply with all current federal and state laws and regulations governing the selection and employment of consultants. The STATE reserves the right to appoint a representative to serve on the Consultant Selection Committee. Subcontracts for consultant services must contain all the required provisions to the extent applicable of Sections 3, 5, 8, 9, 13 through 15, and 19 through 22 of this Agreement.

12.2 Any equipment to be purchased under this Agreement shall be listed in the scope of work. All equipment must be purchased, managed, and disposed of in accordance with all current federal and state laws and regulations and the nondiscrimination provisions of Section 18 of this Agreement. The procurement of all equipment must be used for the sole purpose of urban and regional transportation planning activities. Any equipment on hand at the completion of the work shall become the property of the STATE.



3RD AVENUE SAFETY CONCERNS