

CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS Public Works Committee Agenda Communication

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Agenda Item: FY 25-26 STBG Preservation Set-Aside Program Application Consideration

Explanation: The Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) issued a call for projects on August 17 for the FY

25-26 federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Preservation Set-Aside program. TCRPC programs the STBG funds that are allocated on an annual basis to the Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area Transportation Study (PPUATS) through IDOT. The roadways must have a Functional Classification of Minor Collector or above and be ready to construct by the programmed fiscal year. The Traditional program utilizes 80% of the STBG funds while the Preservation Set-Aside program is allotted the remaining 20%. Eligible projects are limited to the resurfacing of existing roadways. Resurfacing is defined as adding a new layer of asphalt over existing pavement on driving lanes, parking lanes, turn lanes, and/or shoulders in order to extend the life of the roadway. Only roads with a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 61-80 (Good) or 41-

60 (Fair – with third-party justification) are suitable for resurfacing.

Approximately \$1.64M is projected to be available for the FY 25-26 Preservation Set-Aside program (\$820,000 per year). Applications must be submitted by September 30. A subcommittee will tentatively review the applications in October and November and assign Regional Significance scores (which accounts for 40% of the application scoring) with a recommendation on project awards to be made in November to the PPUATS Technical Committee. The TCRPC Commission would then tentatively approve projects in December.

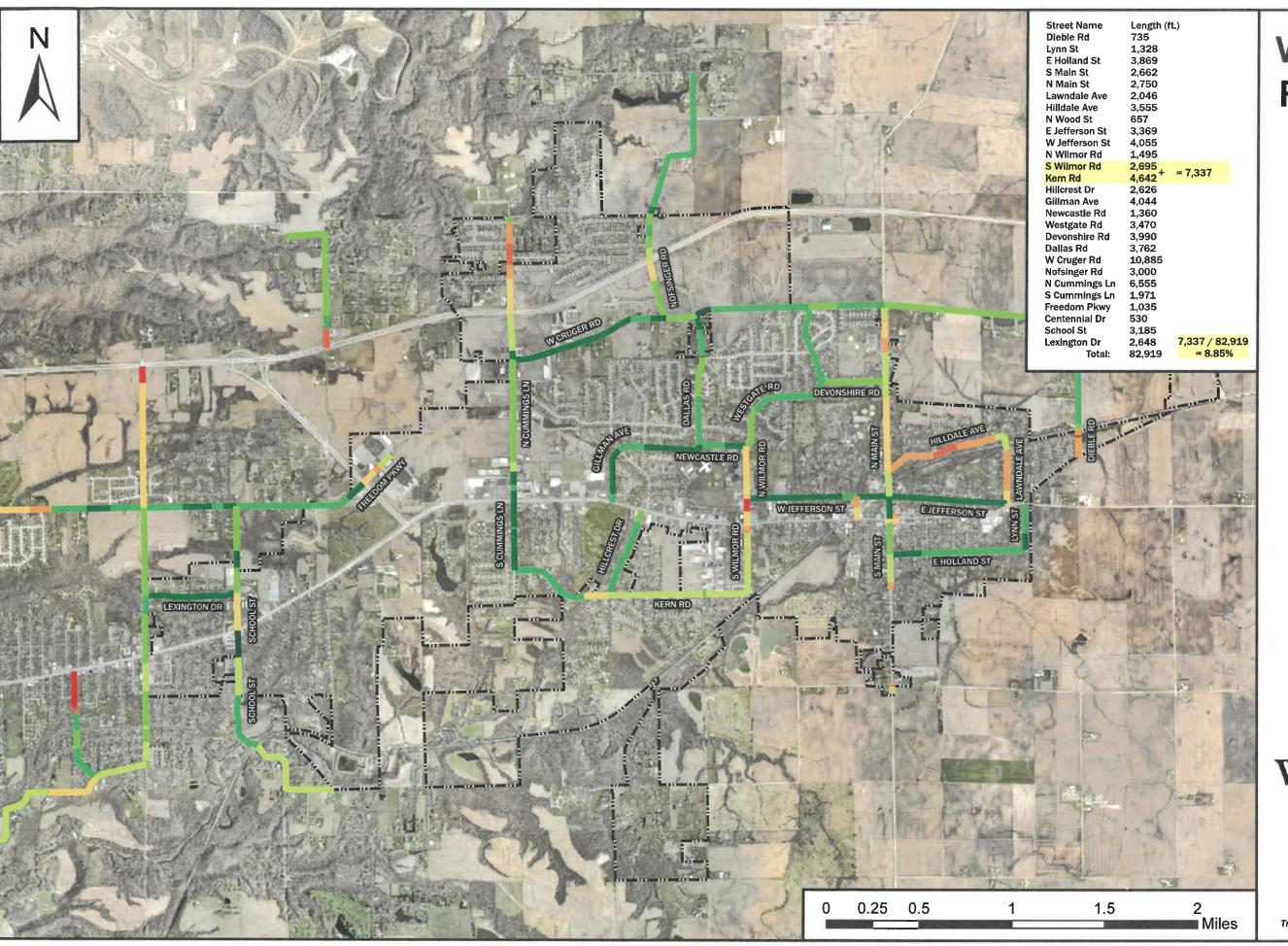
The City applied for FY 25-26 STBG Traditional (new construction and reconstruction) funding for the realignment of Nofsinger Road at US 24. The project was ranked third out of seven regional submittals and did not receive the two awards. Preservation Set-Aside projects require a 20% local match, which must be approved by resolution and submitted no later than October 19. Engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and utility relocation are not eligible for STBG assistance and cannot be used towards the required local match.

Fiscal Impact:

TBD depending on if an STBG Preservation program application is submitted. There are relatively few eligible roads in Washington and perhaps the best fit for this program is Kern Road from S. Cummings to Wilmor and Wilmor from Kern to Business 24 due to the ADA upgrades needed elsewhere to use state and federal funds. That project is not budgeted and carries an estimated project cost of \$900,000 with a local share of \$180,000. It has an average PCI of 63. Attached is a map showing the roads classified as a Minor Collector or above and the 2018 PCI for each.

Any consideration of a potential STBG Traditional program application should be based on its regional and sub-regional significance impact. The regional significance addresses whether the project serves as a primary route between two municipalities and/or connects major roads; its ability to improve the mobility of employees and/or shopping patrons; whether it serves as a primary route for freight, airports, and intermodal facilities; if it serves as a major connector to a school, medical center government facility, library, etc.; and if it is a supplementary phase of a project previously funded through STBG funds. The sub-regional significance is based on a proposed project's impact on a community's STBG-eligible road system. It compares the square footage of road affected by the project to a community's total square footage of roadways eligible for STBG funds. The higher the percentage that the project covers of the STBG-eligible roads scores more points.

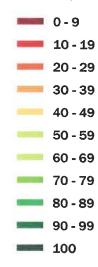
Action Requested: Staff requests feedback on whether to apply for an STBG Preservation Set-Aside program project. Should the direction be to apply, a resolution signifying the City's 20% local match would be scheduled for approval at a future meeting prior to the October 19 submittal deadline.



Washington FAU Routes with 2018 PCI

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This map indicates approximate
data locations and
may not be 100% accurate.`
FAU Routes and PCI
Data is provided by
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission