

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Roger L. Stancil, Town Manager

FROM: Lance Norris, Public Works Director  
Kumar Neppalli, Engineering Services Manager

SUBJECT: Approval of Municipal Agreement for Weaver Dairy Road Widening Project

DATE: February 22, 2010

### **PURPOSE**

The attached resolution would authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for certain modifications on Weaver Dairy Road between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Erwin Road. The resolution also authorizes the Town Manager to use funds not to exceed \$125,000 from a combination of STP/DA and Town bond funds towards the Town cost of the sidewalks in the project.

We recommend that the Council adopt the attached resolution.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The widening of Weaver Dairy Road between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Erwin Road has been under consideration by the Town and State since the mid 1990's. The segment of Weaver Dairy Road under consideration for widening is approximately 2.74 miles in length. Please see the area map provided in Attachment 1.

After public forums and work sessions, on January 22, 2001, the Town Council approved the following roadway measures on Weaver Dairy Road between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Erwin Road:

- One through travel lane in each direction with exclusive turn lanes and center turn lane to accommodate growing traffic volume
- Bus pull-off areas as necessary
- Designated Bicycle Lanes in both directions
- Sidewalk on both sides
- Raised center median areas to provide refuge for pedestrians and landscaping opportunities, where possible
- Extension of Weaver Dairy Road to Sage Road

The project is funded by the State Transportation Improvement Program and is administered by the State. The expected cost of the total project cost is approximately \$13.5 million. The project let date is July 20, 2010 and the construction is expected to start in September/October 2010.

The estimated cost of the sidewalks is approximately \$302,684. The Town is responsible for forty percent of the cost of the sidewalks. The estimated Town cost is \$121,074. The Town has funds available for the local share in STP/DA and Town bond funds. A copy of the proposed agreement with the State is provided in Attachment 2.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

We recommend that the Council approve the attached resolution that would authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for certain roadway measures on Weaver Dairy Road between Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard and Erwin Road. The resolution also authorizes the Town Manager to use funds not to exceed \$125,000 from a combination of STP DA funds and Town bond funds towards the Town cost of the sidewalks in the project.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Area Map (p. 4).
2. Agreement (p. 5).