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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 14, 2026

DATE: March 18, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve the Cooperative Local Public Agency Agreement PR074-26-063 between Washoe County and the State of Nevada, acting through the Nevada Department of Transportation, for the purchase of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems using Federal Transportation Alternatives Program funds [for an estimated total project cost of \$35,700.00 with a Washoe County cash match of \$1,700.00 (5%)]. Community Services. (Commission District 1, 2, 3 & 5) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Approval of this agreement allows Washoe County to utilize Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds to purchase four (4) Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) systems to enhance pedestrian safety at identified crosswalk locations within the County. The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) will administer the federal funds and reimburse the County for eligible project costs in accordance with federal and state requirements.

The project consists of the purchase of four (4) Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) systems. The County will install the RRFB systems under a separate project at no cost to this agreement. The RRFB systems will be installed at the following pedestrian crossing locations:

- Foothill Road and Monte Vista Drive
- Thomas Creek Road at Saddlehorn Park
- West 7th Avenue and Sidehill Drive
- Village Boulevard and Northwood Boulevard

The installation of RRFB systems at these locations is intended to improve pedestrian visibility and safety at uncontrolled or marked crosswalks. These locations were previously identified in collaboration with NDOT and RTC and are on Washoe County's priority list for pedestrian safety improvements.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

The total estimated project cost to purchase the RRFB is \$35,700.00. Funding sources are as follows:

- Federal TAP Funds (95%): \$34,000.00
- Washoe County Match (5%): \$1,700.00

It is estimated that installation will cost \$8,800.00 (\$2,200.00 each) and will be performed using internal efforts and all future operations, maintenance repair and replacement costs will be borne by Washoe County and is estimated to be approximately \$800.00 to \$1,000.00 per year.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Economic Impacts:
Support a thriving community.

PREVIOUS ACTION

There is no previous action.

BACKGROUND

NDOT is authorized under Nevada Revised Statutes Chapters 277 and 408 to enter into cooperative agreements with local public agencies and to act as the agent for accepting federal transportation funds. Washoe County has been approved by the Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County to receive Federal TAP funds for this project.

The proposed Cooperative Agreement establishes the roles and responsibilities of NDOT and Washoe County related to the purchase of RRFB systems, compliance with federal requirements, reimbursement procedures, and long-term obligations associated with the use of federal funds.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: FFY2019 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program - Washoe County Priorities

Scope of the Project: For the purchase of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Systems

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: The installation of RRFB systems at these locations is intended to improve pedestrian visibility and safety at uncontrolled or marked crosswalks.

On-Going Program Support: Grant funds will not be used to support costs of ongoing programs.

Award Amount: \$34,000.00

Grant Period: August 16, 2019, through June 30, 2026

Funding Source: NV Dept of Transportation

Pass Through Entity: Federal

Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 20.205

Grant ID Number: Federal FFY2019

Match Amount and Type: 5%, \$1,700.00, Cash

Sub-Awards and Contracts: None

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY26 Washoe County adopted budget will be increased by \$34,000.00 [\$1,700.00, cash match will be provided from PW920507] in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO12652 RTA Set Aside – Traffic	431100 - Federal Grants	\$34,000.00
IO12652 RTA Set Aside – Traffic	711504 - Equipment nonCapital	\$34,000.00

Total project funds amount to \$34,000.00; \$1,700.00, cash match will be provided from PW920507. No ongoing and future expenditures are associated with this grant.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board of County Commissioners approve the Cooperative Local Public Agency Agreement PR074-26-063 between Washoe County and the State of Nevada, acting through the Nevada Department of Transportation, for the purchase of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems using Federal Transportation Alternatives Program funds.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to approve the Cooperative Local Public Agency Agreement PR074-26-063 between Washoe County and the State of Nevada, acting through the Nevada Department of Transportation, for the purchase of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon systems using Federal Transportation Alternatives Program funds.”