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Project Type: Streets/Roads/Bridges related projects - Transportation & Public Works Department

Previously submitted but not selected: No

Continuation Project: Yes, SPLOST IV Project No. 18 – Dirt Road Program, and SPLOST 2000 Project 22 – Dirt Road Program

Executive Summary: This project provides funding for the design and construction of improvements to Linda Ave and Mission Drive in Athens Clarke County. Based on the cost submitted this project would have enough funding for limited widening, ROW acquisition, cul-de-sac construction for Emergency vehicles and paving of the dirt roads.

Project Total Cost: \$ 937,000

Total Operating Cost: \$ 11,000

Does this Project require the acquisition of any land? Yes

What means of land acquisition will be required? Rights of Way

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Staff Comments:

Mission Drive is approximately 2,500 feet (~1/2 mile long) with an existing 40 foot ROW. The first 500 feet are not paved. The remaining section is paved with a 90-foot diameter cul-de-sac. [Mission Dr - Google Maps](#)

This section of the roadway was left unpaved in 2001 because the adjacent property owners were not willing to provide the additional width of right of way necessary to complete the improvements needed; thus the section, adjacent to those properties, was left unpaved. (According to tax records this property recorded sales, since 2001.)

Linda Ave is approximately ¾ of a mile long all but the last 200 feet in front of one property is paved. There is no cul-de-sac. Addition of a cul-de-sac will require additional right of way. [Linda Ave - Google Maps](#). Paving and cul-de-sac would require property acquisition.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

How will the Project meet the stated Program Goals in the Mayor & Commission Strategic Plan to provide long-term, ongoing contributions to the Sustainable Transportation needs of the Athens-Clarke County?

Goal Area 1; Section D: Drive community transformation with a focus on creating spaces that are respectful and welcoming: This project provides funding for the design and construction of improvements to Linda Ave and Mission Drive in Athens Clarke County. Based on the cost submitted this project would have enough funding for limited widening, ROW acquisition, cul-de-sac construction for Emergency vehicles and paving of the dirt roads. The proposed improvements are located in the North Athens Neighborhood, a traditionally underserved area of the Athens Community.

Goal Area 1; Section E: Support & promote healthy lifestyle: moving, eating, forming healthy relationships, physical and psychological care: This project provides funding for the design and construction of improvements to Linda Ave and Mission Drive in Athens Clarke County. Based on the cost submitted this project would have enough funding for limited widening, ROW acquisition, cul-de-sac construction for Emergency vehicles and paving of the dirt roads. The proposed improvements are located in the North Athens Neighborhood, a traditionally underserved area of the Athens Community.

Project Costs

Detailed project capital budget costs (to be funded from TSPLOST 2026 only):

Project Costs (round to thousand)	Amount
1. Land Acquisition / ROW / Easement:	\$ 150,000
2. Design Fees: (Min.12% of New Const.; 14% of reno,; 16% for LEED proj.)	\$ 100,000
3. Miscellaneous Fees: (Min. Minimum of 3% of Construction Costs – used for permitting, etc. Utilize minimum of 10% if land acquisition if necessary.)	\$ 25,000
4. Construction:	\$ 450,000
5. Construction Contingency: (10% of the Construction line item)	\$ 45,000
6. Testing:	\$ 10,000
7. Project Management: (4% of the total budget line items above)	\$ 50,000
8. Project Contingency: (10% of the total budget line items above)	\$ 83,000
9. Public Art: Calculated at 1% of the Construction line item.	\$ 5,000
10. Other 1:	\$
11. Other 2:	\$
Project Subtotal:	\$ 918,000
14. Program Management (2% of Project Subtotal):	\$ 19,000
TSPLOST 2026 Project Total:	\$ 937,000

Project Financing

Is the proposed Project to receive funding from source(s) other than TSPLOST 2026? No

Operating Cost

Total Annual Net Operating Costs when Project is complete:

Only identify additional or net operating costs to be paid by ACCGov as a result of this Project. Identify the additional or net costs needed, above ACCGov's current operating budget, to operate the requested project; as well as any additional Project related revenues that would be generated. Provide budget costs for each identified category below.

Operating Costs (round to thousand)	Estimated Impact for Annual Operating Expenditures
TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUES FROM PROJECT	
PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	
1. Personnel Costs: from Appendix A	
2. Annual Utilities:	
• Natural Gas:	
• Electrical:	
• Water:	
• Sewer:	
• Phone:	
• Solid Waste Collection:	
• Other:	
3. Operating Supplies:	
4. Equipment Maintenance:	
5. Facility Maintenance:	
6. Other: Public Art Maintenance	1,000
7. Other: Annual Maintenance	3,000
8. Other: Life Cycle Replacement	7,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	
NET OPERATING COSTS OF PROJECT:	\$ 11,000