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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Michael W. Cowin, City Manager 

DATE: November 29, 2023

SUBJECT: Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:


1. A memo from Kevin Mulligan, Director of Public Works, regarding Public Works sanitation route and collection changes
2. A memo from Lisa Kirby, Director of Engineering, regarding an update on the Safe Streets for All grant application

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Attachments

Memorandum

To: Michael Cowin, City Manager

From: Kevin Mulligan, PE, Director of Public Works 

Date: November 27, 2023

Subject: Public Works Sanitation Route and Collection Changes

The Public Works Sanitation Division will complete the final phases of the sanitation collection day/route changes during the week of December 4, 2023. Public education was provided for these remaining phases over the past two months. During these two months, the residents received cart stickers and door hangers alerting them to a change in their day of service. Additionally, social media messaging, local newspapers, and television have been included as part of the education plan.

During the previous phases of the route and day changes, approximately 4,000 residential customers were moved to a new collection day. The phases were completed successfully between July and September 2023. Phases 1 and 2 represented one-third of all the proposed route and collection day changes involved in all of the phases.

The remaining phase involves 8,000 service day changes and will impact all service days. A December 2023 completion will provide more efficient routes sooner than originally scheduled.

During the March 2023 City Council workshop, the Sanitation Collection Day and Route Changes presentation addressed the City's growth, customer service, route balance, greenhouse gas reduction, and creating improved work efficiencies. During the workshop, the timeframe was projected to be completed within 12 months of the July 2023 start date.

The remaining four phases of the Public Works Sanitation Route and Collection Changes will be completed and implemented during the week of December 4, 2023. This is six (6) months in advance of scheduled completion and addresses all of the goals set in the March 2023 City Council workshop.



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Memorandum

To: Michael Cowin, City Manager
From: Lisa Kirby, PE, CFM, Director of Engineering
Date: November 29, 2023
Subject: Update on the Safe Streets for All Grant application

In July, the Greenville Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (GUAMPO) applied for the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant program. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the new Safe Streets for All (SS4A) discretionary program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over five years. The SS4A program funds regional, local, and tribal initiatives through grants to prevent roadway deaths and serious injuries. The purpose of the planning grant is to develop a document of activities, strategies, and implementation projects that will enhance the safety of the transportation network (both multimodal and vehicular) of the region as a whole. A document like this could create a list of projects and activities that could address the region's larger systemic needs. The grant is awarded on a competitive basis.

At the end of October, we were notified that our Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is one of six organizations in the state to be awarded funds. The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) awarded us the full amount requested, \$400K, for our Regional Transportation Safety Plan, which we are calling the Vision Zero Safety Action Plan, as well as for small demonstration safety projects. It will be the first comprehensive safety plan for our region. The specific sites for these projects will be identified during the plan's development. NCDOT's Traffic Safety Unit pledged to provide the MPO with \$50K as a local match for the grant. The City of Greenville will also provide up to a \$50k match for demonstration or quick-build safety projects identified through the plan bringing the grand total for the project to \$500,000. The Greenville Traffic Safety Task Force will be involved in the development of the plan and participate in its committee.

The next steps for the MPO Division staff are to work with U.S. DOT on developing and executing a grant agreement.

cc: Eliud De Jesus, MPO Coordinator and Transportation Planner