

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 06
AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO PROVIDE A COORDINATION
LETTER OF INTEREST TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FOR POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE SCHEDULED GEORGIA
AVENUE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT TO INCLUDE PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE AND
ICONIC DESIGN FEATURES

WHEREAS, the replacement of the Georgia Avenue bridge, specifically referred to as SR4 Savannah River bridge, is scheduled for 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta and City of Augusta in discussions with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) have expressed interest in including pedestrian/bicycle and iconic design features to said bridge to add to the connectivity and aesthetics of our respective downtowns; and

WHEREAS, GDOT has indicated that funding for the bridge replacement is funded at a level to replace the bridge as is and would not include any of the requested upgrades; and

WHEREAS, GDOT has instructed the City of North Augusta and City of Augusta to write letters expressing interest in these additional amenities; and

WHEREAS, after consideration and analysis, a monetary cost of these upgrades would be provided to North Augusta and Augusta respectively; and

WHEREAS, at that time, each City's governing body would have to evaluate the additional cost and determine if and how much each would be able to contribute.

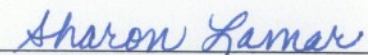
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that the City Administrator is hereby authorized to take such steps as necessary to write a letter of interest to GDOT expressing the interest of the City of North Augusta in incorporating pedestrian/bicycle and iconic design features to the SR4 Savannah River Bridge Replacement programming.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS
4 DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019.



Robert A. Pettit, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sharon Lamar, City Clerk

From: Henry, Jeff <JHenry@dot.ga.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 29, 2018 4:51 PM
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: PI 0013927 (Richmond) SR4 Savannah River Bridge - Draft Coordination meeting minutes

Hameed,

As a follow up to our recent meeting and discussion regarding additional bike/ped scope items to be considered in the bridge replacement project, the appropriate channel to direct this request is in writing to the GDOT Commissioner. If the City is able to participate in funding upgrades and additional scope items, a statement of such would be appreciated. As discussed, this project is programmed by GDOT as a bridge replacement project, and therefore has federal funding, which is constrained to be used for bridge replacement elements of the project. The Georgia DOT appreciates working with the City of Augusta and all of the stakeholders to replace the SR4 Savannah River bridge.

I am sending this same guidance to the City of North Augusta.

Contact info for GDOT Commissioner:
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<http://www.dot.ga.gov/AboutGeorgia/Offices/Pages/ExecutiveDetails.aspx?execID=1>

Time is of the essence for us as we move toward writing the concept report. The goal is to start a formal dialogue and start the process of putting any necessary MOA in place.

Sincerely,

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