

RESOLUTION NO. R2024-071

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR ARIZONA STATE MATCH ADVANTAGE FOR RURAL TRANSPORTATION (AZ SMART) FUND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 40TH STREET FROM AVENUE 6E TO FORTUNA ROAD

WHEREAS, the AZ SMART Fund was established by the Arizona Legislature in 2022 to help cities, towns, counties and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to compete more effectively at the national level for Federal Grants established in 2021 Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA); and,

WHEREAS, the AZ SMART fund awards are limited to federal discretionary grants for surface transportation purposes; and,

WHEREAS, ADOT requires applicants to have jurisdictional approval prior to submitting an application for AZ SMART funds; and,

WHEREAS, the City seeks to apply for AZ SMART funds to assist in funding the local match requirements of the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) to construct a minor arterial roadway along 40th Street from Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road (Project); and,

WHEREAS, the Project is intended to improve public safety, welfare, and traffic operations along I-8 and 32nd Street by providing an alternative route to Connect the City of Yuma and Foothills Community. The project is of mutual benefit to the City of Yuma, Yuma County, and ADOT; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Yuma, upon authorization by the City Council, and Notice of Award of the MPDG will submit an application to ADOT for AZ SMART funding in the amount of \$10,000,000; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Yuma and Yuma County, upon award of MPDG and AZ SMART Funds, will commit to funding a portion of the local match in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the City of Yuma, and \$1,000,000 for Yuma County;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Yuma , as follows:

SECTION 1: The City Council authorizes the City Administrator and City staff to apply for AZ SMART funding.

SECTION 2: The City Administrator is authorized and directed to commit \$4,000,000 of local matching funds necessary to receive the MPDG and AZ SMART funding.

SECTION 3: The City Administrator is authorized and directed to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with ADOT on behalf of the City of Yuma and to perform all such acts as may be necessary to implement the intent of this resolution.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2024.

APPROVED:

Douglas J. Nicholls
Mayor

ATTESTED:

Lynda L. Bushong
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Richard W. Files
City Attorney