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DEPARTMENT: Planning

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INFORMATION: On October 10, 2018, the DCHC MPO Board adopted a resolution to request a sixth amendment to the NCDOT's 2018-2027 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that would add \$343,200 of additional CMAQ funds to the Jones Creek Greenway (TIP # C-5181) for a total project cost of \$850,250. In order for the Town to receive these earmarked funds the municipal agreement between the Town and NCDOT must be amended.

Background

In 2010, the Town submitted a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) application to

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fund the Jones Creek Greenway, a 750-foot connection between the end of Lake Hogan Farm Road and the existing County greenway to Morris Grove Elementary School. Funding was approved as part of the list of FY 2011 CMAQ projects, and the Town entered into a Municipal Agreement with NCDOT in February 2016, for a total project cost of \$321,250 (\$257,000 federal share and \$64,250 local match). In 2015, after learning of the possible availability of additional CMAQ funds staff updated the application for the Jones Creek project and received \$80,000 of new funding toward the project. The Town executed a supplemental agreement with NCDOT in March 2017 to reflect the new project cost of approximately \$421,250 (\$337,000 federal share and \$84,250 local match).

Town staff worked closely with the DCHC MPO during the summer of 2018 to secure CMAQ funds earmarked for the MPO prior to the scheduled 2019 rescission. Based on preliminary construction cost estimates from the design firm, the Town requested additional CMAQ funds to ensure that the Town had sufficient funds to complete the project. The FY 2018-2027 North Carolina State Transportation Improvement Program was amended accordingly. The Town must execute a new supplemental agreement with NCDOT for the additional federal funds to be allocated to the project budget.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: To date, a total of \$420,000 has been appropriated for this project. The addition of \$343,200 of CMAQ funds would increase the total amount appropriate for this project to \$850,250; and require a 20% match of \$170,050.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Town Council consider the attached resolution authorizing the Town Manager to execute the supplemental agreement with NCDOT and to amend the capital project ordinance for the Jones Creek Greenway.