Town of Carrboro



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Amendment to Project Ordinance for a Stream Restoration Project at Public Works

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Town Council to appropriate additional funding from the Stormwater Enterprise Fund to complete construction for a stream restoration project at Public Works

DEPARTMENT: Public Works, Finance

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INFORMATION: Following on Hurricane Florence, staff have been pursuing a stream restoration project at Public Works because of the hazardous situation associated with the unstable banks, expanding stream channel, and nearby fuel tanks and buildings. The preliminary engineering for this project, authorized per a project ordinance on June 18, 2019, has been completed. A modification of the project ordinance to allocate an additional \$265k for construction is recommended. Public Works staff continue to pursue FEMA Public Assistance funding for the project. The Public Assistance process does not obligate funding in advance, but is rather on a reimbursal basis. Therefore, Town funding is needed up front and is at risk until approved through the Public Assistance process. The Public Assistance process is time limited, so there is time sensitivity in approving this request to maximize the potential for federal funding support. Staff will move forward with construction bidding upon Council approval.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: A total of \$265k of new funding is needed for the construction phase of the project. Staff time for project coordination/oversight and pursuit of Public Assistance funding will also be needed.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Council adopt the resolution (Attachment A) appropriating an additional \$265k for project construction from the Stormwater Enterprise Fund.