

**ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR VOLUNTARY
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (ON-SYSTEM)**

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

THE COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

THIS AGREEMENT IS MADE BY AND BETWEEN the State of Texas, acting through the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the State, and the City of College Station, a Municipal Corporation, acting by and through its Mayor and City Council, hereinafter called the Local Government.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Transportation Code, Chapter 201 and Transportation Code, Chapter 221 authorizes the State to lay out, construct, maintain, and operate a system of streets, roads, and highways that comprise the State Highway System; and,

WHEREAS, Commission Minute Order Number 107420 authorizes the State to undertake and complete a highway improvement generally described as the construction of sidewalks and pedestrian facilities along FM 60 (University Drive), FM 2154 (Wellborn Road) and FM 2347 (George Bush Drive) adjacent to the Texas A&M University campus in College Station; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Government has requested that the State allow the Local Government to participate in said improvement by contributing funds towards the construction cost of the improvement as described above, hereinafter called the "Project"; and,

WHEREAS, the State has determined that such participation is in the best interest of the citizens of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties hereto, to be by them respectively kept and performed as hereinafter set forth, the State and the Local Government do agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

Article 1. Time Period Covered

This agreement becomes effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the agreement fully executed, and the State and the Local Government will consider it to be in full force and effect until the Project described herein has been completed and accepted by all parties or unless terminated, as hereinafter provided.

Article 2. Project Funding and Work Responsibilities

The State will authorize the performance of only those Project items of work which the Local Government has requested and has agreed to pay for as described in Attachment A, Payment Provision and Work Responsibilities, which is attached to and made a part of this contract.

In addition to identifying those items of work paid for by payments to the State, Attachment A, Payment Provision and Work Responsibilities, also specifies those Project items of work that are the responsibility of the Local Government and will be carried out and completed by the Local Government by and through a separate contract with Texas A&M University, at no cost to the State.

Texas Government Code, Chapter 2106 requires the State to recover indirect costs associated with this agreement as calculated based on prevailing rates specified in the State's Indirect Cost Recovery Program.

Article 3. Right of Access

If the Local Government is the owner of any part of the Project site, the Local Government shall permit the State or its authorized representative access to the site to perform any activities required to execute the work. The Local Government will provide for all necessary right-of-way and utility adjustments needed for performance of the work on sites not owned or to be acquired by the State.

Article 4. Responsibilities of the Parties

The Local Government acknowledges that while it is not an agent, servant, nor employee of the State, it is responsible for its own acts and deeds and for those of its agents or employees during the performance of the work on the Project.

Article 5. Document and Information Exchange

The Local Government agrees to electronically deliver to the State all general notes, specifications, contract provision requirements and related documentation in a Microsoft43 Word or similar document. If requested by the State, the Local Government will use the State's document template. The Local Government shall also provide a detailed construction time estimate including types of activities and month in the format required by the State. This requirement applies whether the local entity creates the documents with its own forces or by hiring a consultant or professional provider.

Article 6. Interest

The State will not pay interest on funds provided by the Local Government. Funds provided by the Local Government will be deposited into, and retained in, the State Treasury.

Article 7. Inspection and Conduct of Work

Unless otherwise specifically stated in Attachment A, Payment Provision and Work Responsibilities, to this contract, the State will supervise and inspect all work performed hereunder and provide such engineering inspection and testing services as may be required to ensure that the Project is accomplished in accordance with the approved plans and specifications. All correspondence and instructions to the contractor performing the work will be the sole responsibility of the State. Unless otherwise specifically stated in Attachment A to this contract, all work will be performed in accordance with the *Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets, and Bridges* adopted by the State and incorporated herein by reference, or special specifications approved by the State.

Article 8. Increased Costs

In the event it is determined that the funding provided by the Local Government will be insufficient to cover the State's cost for performance of the Local Governments requested work, the Local Government will pay to the State the additional funds necessary to cover the anticipated additional cost. The State shall send the Local Government a written notification stating the amount of additional funding needed and stating the reasons for the needed additional funds. The Local Government shall pay the funds to the State within 30 days of the written notification, unless otherwise agreed to by all parties to this agreement. If the Local Government cannot pay the additional funds, this contract shall be mutually terminated in accord with Article 10 - Termination. If this is a fixed price agreement as specified in Attachment A, Payment Provision and Work Responsibilities, this provision shall only apply in the event changed site conditions are discovered or as mutually agreed upon by the State and the Local Government.

If any existing or future local ordinances, including, but not limited to, outdoor advertising billboards or storm water drainage facility requirements, are more restrictive than State or Federal Regulations, or any other locally proposed changes, including, but not limited to plats or replats, result in increased costs, then, any increased costs associated with the ordinances or changes will be paid by the local entity. The cost of providing such right of way acquired by the State shall mean the total expenses in acquiring the property interests either through negotiations or eminent domain proceedings, including expenses related to relocation, removal, or adjustment of eligible utilities.

Article 9. Maintenance

Upon completion of the Project, the State will assume responsibility for the maintenance of the completed Project unless otherwise specified in Attachment A to this agreement.

Article 10. Termination

This agreement may be terminated in the following manner:

- ◆ by mutual written agreement and consent of both parties;
- ◆ by either party upon the failure of the other party to fulfill the obligations set forth herein;
- ◆ by the State if it determines that the performance of the Project is not in the best interest of the State.

If the contract is terminated in accordance with the above provisions, the Local Government will be responsible for the payment of two-thirds (2/3) of the total Project costs incurred by the State on behalf of the Local Government up to the time of termination,

- A. In the event the State determines that additional funding is required by the Local Government at any time during the development of the Project, the State will notify the Local Government in writing. The Local Government will make payment to the State within thirty (30) days from receipt of the State's written notification.
- B. Upon completion of the Project, the State will perform an audit of the Project costs. Any funds due to the Local Government, the State, or the Federal Government will be promptly paid by the owing party.
- C. In the event the Project is not completed, the State may seek reimbursement from the Local Government of the expended funds. The Local Government will remit the required funds to the State within sixty (60) days from receipt of the State's notification.

- D. The State will not pay interest on any funds provided by the Local Government.
- E. The State will not execute the contract for the construction of the Project until the required funding has been made available by the Local Government in accordance with this Agreement.

11. Notices

All notices to either party by the other required under this agreement shall be delivered personally or sent by certified or U.S. mail, postage prepaid or sent by electronic mail, (electronic notice being permitted to the extent permitted by law but only after a separate written consent of the parties), addressed to such party at the following addresses:

State: Mr. Lonny G. Traweck, P.E.
Bryan District Engineer
1300 North Texas Avenue
Bryan, Texas 77803-2760

Local Government: Mr. Mark L. Smith
Director of Public Works
City of College Station
P.O. Box 9960
College Station, Texas 77842

All notices shall be deemed given on the date so delivered or so deposited in the mail, unless otherwise provided herein. Either party may change the above address by sending written notice of the change to the other party. Either party may request in writing that such notices shall be delivered personally or by certified U.S. mail and such request shall be honored and carried out by the other party.

Article 12. Sole Agreement

In the event the terms of the agreement are in conflict with the provisions of any other existing agreements between the Local Government and the State, the latest agreement shall take precedence over the other agreements in matters related to the Project.

Article 13. Successors and Assigns

The State and the Local Government each binds itself, its successors, executors, assigns, and administrators to the other party to this agreement and to the successors, executors, assigns, and administrators of such other party in respect to all covenants of this agreement.

Article 14. Amendments

By mutual written consent of the parties, this contract may be amended prior to its expiration.

Article 15. Signatory Warranty

The signatories to this agreement warrant that each has the authority to enter into this agreement on behalf of the party they represent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE STATE AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT have executed duplicate counterparts to effectuate this agreement.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executed for the Executive Director and approved for the Texas Transportation Commission for the purpose and effect of activating and/or carrying out the orders, established policies or work programs heretofore approved and authorized by the Texas Transportation Commission.

BY _____ Date _____
Jennifer D. Soldano
Director, Contract Services Office

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Name of the Local Government City of College Station

BY _____ Date _____

Typed or Printed Name and Title Lynn McIlhaney
Mayor, City of College Station

Attachment A
Payment Provision
and
Work Responsibilities

Description of the Cost and the Items of Work:

1. The Local Government has requested that the State allow the Local Government to contribute to the cost of the State's proposed Project to construct sidewalks and pedestrian facilities along FM 60 (University Drive), FM 2154 (Wellborn Road) and FM 2347 (George Bush Drive) adjacent to the Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. The Local Government's financial responsibility in this Project will be limited to two-thirds (2/3) of the actual construction cost of the Project, but will not exceed \$400,000.
2. The Local Government will provide to the State all rights-of-entry and temporary construction easements necessary to construct the Project. The Local Government will cause all utilities, including all lawn sprinklers and associated utilities, to be located and relocated or adjusted as needed to construct the Project. This work shall be the sole responsibility of the Local Government or its designated representative.
3. The State will be responsible for completing all preliminary engineering, environmental documents and clearances, for the development and preparation of the plans, specifications and estimate (PS&E) necessary to perform the work, for contract award and administration, for one-third (1/3) of the construction costs and for all construction engineering and contingencies.

Schedule of Payment

Sixty (60) days prior to the date set by the State to receive bids for this Project, the State will notify the Local Government, in writing, of the total estimated amount the Local Government owes for its participation in this Project. This amount will be calculated using two-thirds (2/3) of the Project's estimated cost as shown in the plans estimate prepared by the State for the Project.

Within thirty (30) days of the date of this written notification, the Local Government will make a check or warrant made payable to the Texas Department of Transportation in an amount sufficient to cover one-half (1/2) of its total estimated participation in the construction cost of the Project. The State will not authorize the beginning of this work until the required funding has been made available to the State.

Upon award of the contract by the Texas Transportation Commission, the State will notify the Local Government, in writing, of its total participation in the construction cost of the Project and the amount remaining to be paid by the Local Government. This remaining amount will be calculated using two-thirds (2/3) of the actual contract bid amount, less the money previously paid by the Local Government. This remaining money will be payable to the Texas Department of Transportation within thirty (30) days of the date of this written notification.

The cost of the Project to the Local Government is limited to a maximum amount of \$400,000. Therefore, in accordance with Article 8, Increased Costs, any increase in the cost of the Project to the Local Government due to changed site conditions will be mutually agreed to by the State and the Local Government.

Maintenance

Upon the completion of the Project, Texas A&M University shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Project by and through a separate contract between the Local Government and Texas A&M University.