



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2024-532

Agenda Date: July 18, 2024

Department: Transportation Department

Title: 2024-532 Interlocal Agreement for Countywide Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan (B)

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Description: Request for the City Commission to approve a revised interlocal agreement and authorizing the City's participation in the creation of a Countywide Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan.

Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact to the City, as the plan will now be funded by the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO), saving the City \$70,000 in FY 2024.

Explanation: On September 21, 2023, the City Commission approved the "Interlocal Agreement for the Preparation & Funding of the Alachua Countywide Bike-Ped Master Plan" (Agenda Item #2023-908; signed November 15, 2023), a tri-party agreement between Alachua County, the University of Florida (UF) and the City. The City committed approximately \$70,000 towards this effort.

Since then, on May 13, 2024, the MTPO approved its FY25/FY26 Unified Planning Work Program, which included 100 percent of the master plan development cost (\$254,700). A new contract is needed which will supersede the contract signed on November 15, 2023. This does not affect the work done to date (scope development, bid, and consultant selection); it maintains the County as lead agency; and removes the funding obligation from City/County/UF, resulting in cost savings to the City. There is no delay caused by the transitioning of funding. Kittleson & Associates was selected as the consultant to develop the plan.

Strategic Connection:

- Goal 1: Equitable Community
- Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- Goal 5: "Best in Class" Neighbor Services

Recommendation: 1) City Commission approve the revised interlocal agreement with the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO), Alachua County and the University of Florida, and 2) authorize the Mayor or designee to execute the agreement and any other necessary or related documents, on behalf of the City, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.