

CITY COUNCIL REPORT



Meeting Date: February 6, 2024
 General Plan Element: **Community Mobility**
 General Plan Goal: **Relieve traffic congestion**

ACTION

Adopt **Resolution No. 13048** authorizing a FY 2023/24 Transportation Fund capital contingency budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$986,207 to a newly created capital project to be titled Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair that will be funded by Transportation 0.2% Sales Tax.

BACKGROUND

Maintaining and improving the efficiency of existing infrastructure is the highest priority for the use of transportation funds, as directed by the 2022 Transportation Action Plan. The DoubleTree Ranch Road Bridges are a pair of structures spanning the Gainey Ranch Golf Club, initially constructed in 1983. Each bridge is 35'-6" wide and accommodates two vehicular lanes, a bike lane, a concrete curb, and a sidewalk with asphalt overlay. However, the structures consist of a wood superstructure and a concrete substructure. The existing bridge decks have reached a point where minor repairs are no longer sufficient. Doubletree Road between Via Linda and Scottsdale Road carries approximately 15,000 vehicles per day, including large trucks, and is classified as a Minor Arterial. The provision of structurally sound bridges is critical.

In 2021, the City of Scottsdale received a Repair Alternatives Report from an independent engineering firm. They determined that continued traffic on the bridges was not an imminent concern, yet remedial action was recommended. The bridge repair project was approved as a CIP project to start in Fiscal Year 2024/25. Scope includes removing and replacing the railing, asphalt, curb, sidewalk, and bridge deck. (Alt 2 from the "Draft Bridge Alternatives Report"). Total CIP Budget approved for the project is \$4.839 million. The current estimate for the project is \$5.755 million pending design.

In the meantime, our Transportation Maintenance Staff has been out to the bridges on three separate occasions in the last couple of months for minor repairs (pothole repairs and fasteners replacement). Their recommendation was that, with the increase in pothole repairs and hardware/fasteners falling out of the structures, moving the project up the priority list was essential.

Action Taken Approved on Consent

City Council Report – Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair Project

This project is currently funded for design in FY 2024/25. This action will move a portion of the funding needed for design to the current fiscal year 2023/24 so that design can begin immediately.

ANALYSIS & ASSESSMENT

Significant Issues to be addressed.

The wooden structure bridges on Doubletree are aging to the point that more than regular maintenance is needed. Although the bridges are safe for vehicle traffic, the deterioration continues and the city has had to perform a number of significant pothole repairs on the westbound bridge due to the deck paving breaking apart. Therefore, moving the project up to this fiscal year and starting the design as soon as possible is recommended.

RESOURCE IMPACTS

Available funding

Transportation 0.2% Sales Tax funds are available for this project. The Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair capital project was included in the FY 2023/24 five-year Capital Improvement Program to be funded by Transportation 0.2% Sales Tax, starting in FY 2024/25.

Staffing, Workload Impact

Existing Transportation and CPM resources are available to provide the management required for the execution of this action.

Future Budget Implications:

The Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair capital project was included in the FY 2023/24 five-year Capital Improvement Program to be funded by Transportation 0.2% Sales Tax, starting in FY 2024/25. Since this action changes the timing of funding for the design portion of the project, the budget appropriation for the remaining costs and any additional costs will be requested accordingly through the FY 2024/25 Budget Development and approval process.

OPTIONS & STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Approach

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Proposed Next Steps:

Upon Council approval of Resolution No. 13048, staff will work to acquire a consultant and coordinate the design start.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT(S)

Transportation & Streets, Department Capital Project Management

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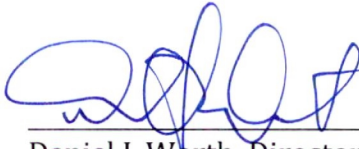
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1-23-24

Date

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No.13048

RESOLUTION NO. 13048

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING A FY 2023/24 TRANSPORTATION FUND CAPITAL CONTINGENCY BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$986,207 TO A NEWLY CREATED CAPITAL PROJECT TO BE TITLED DOUBLETREE RANCH ROAD BRIDGE REPAIR THAT WILL BE FUNDED BY TRANSPORTATION 0.2% SALES TAX.

WHEREAS, the City desires to expedite the Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair Project; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Ordinance No.4602 allows expenditures to be made from budget contingencies and reserves upon recommendation of the City Manager and approval of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Article 6, Section 11 of the Scottsdale City Charter permits the City Manager, subject to the approval of the City Council, to transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or portion thereof between general classifications of expenditures within an office, department, or agency; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to balance its budget and all associated funds; and

WHEREAS, State law permits the transfer of monies between budget items if the money is available, the transfer is in the public interest and based on a demonstrated need, the transfer does not result in a violation of the expenditure limitation, and a majority of the City Council approves the transfer at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the money for the requested budget adjustments and cash transfers is available, the budget adjustments and cash transfers are in the public interest and based on a demonstrated need, and the budget adjustments and cash transfers do not result in a violation of the expenditure limitation; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends the budget adjustments and cash transfers described and estimated in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby authorizes a FY 2023/24 Transportation Fund capital contingency budget appropriation transfer in the amount of \$986,207 to a newly created capital project to be titled Doubletree Ranch Road Bridge Repair that will be funded by Transportation 0.2% Sales Tax.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Scottsdale, Maricopa County, Arizona this _____ day of _____, 2024.

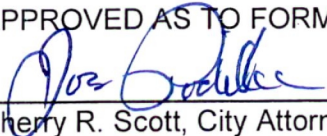
CITY OF SCOTTSDALE, an Arizona municipal corporation

ATTEST:

Ben Lane, City Clerk

David D. Ortega, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sherry R. Scott, City Attorney
By Joe Padilla, Deputy City Attorney