



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Edward L. Roberge, PE, City Engineer

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SUBJECT: Resolution appropriating the sum of \$900,000 for the purpose of design, permitting, acquisition of right-of-way, and construction for the Birchdale Road Bridge Replacement Project (CONCORD 15878, CIP #498), including accepting \$720,000 in New Hampshire Department of Transportation State Bridge Aid Program funds and appropriating \$180,000 by authorizing the issuance of bonds and notes.

Recommendation

Accept this report and set the attached resolution accepting and appropriating funds for the design, permitting, acquisition of right-of-way, and construction for the Birchdale Road Bridge Replacement Project for a public hearing on August 14, 2017.

Background

Given its substandard width, capacity, and deteriorating condition, the Birchdale Road Bridge has been on the State's "Red List" for some time and is currently programmed for replacement in both the FY2018 State 10-Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the FY2018 Concord Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Discussion

The FY2018 CIP work plan identifies this project as CIP #498 which includes the design, permitting, acquisition of right-of-way, and construction for a replacement bridge structure on Birchdale Road over Bela Brook.

With State Bridge Aid funds committed for this project, funds must be accepted and appropriated to start the project. Total project cost is estimated at \$900,000 and will be funded by State Bridge Aid funds (\$720,000 (80%)) and matched by a 20% local share (\$180,000).

Therefore, it is recommended that the City Council accept this report and approve the resolution appropriating the sum of \$900,000 for the purpose of design, permitting, acquisition of right-of-way, and construction for the Birchdale Road Bridge Replacement Project, including accepting \$720,000 in New Hampshire Department of Transportation State Bridge Aid Program funds and appropriating \$180,000 by authorizing the issuance of bonds and notes.

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