City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: March 26, 2013 Agenda Date Requested: April 4, 2013

Time Requested: 10 Minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Public Works Department

Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: For Possible Action: To approve the submittal of a Recreation Trails Grant application to the Nevada Division of State Parks for path maintenance and safety upgrades on the Highway 50 (East) multi-use path between Lompa Lane and East College Parkway/Fairview Drive and authorize Mayor Robert L. Crowell to sign a letter of support on behalf of Carson City.

Staff Summary: Carson City has the opportunity to apply for a Recreation Trails Grant through the Nevada Division of State Parks for path maintenance and safety upgrades to the Highway 50 (East) multi-use path between Lompa Lane and East College Parkway/Fairview Drive. The Public Works Department and Parks and Recreation Department are requesting Board of Supervisor approval to apply for this grant. (Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner / Dan Doenges, Senior Transportation Planner)

Type of Action Requested: (check one)			
() Resolution () Ordinance			
(X) Formal Action/Motion () Other (Specify)			
Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:	() Yes	(X) No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve the submittal of a Recreation Trails Grant application to the Nevada Division of State Parks for path maintenance and safety upgrades on the Highway 50 (East) multi-use path between Lompa Lane and East College Parkway/Fairview Drive and authorize Mayor Robert L. Crowell to sign a letter of support on behalf of Carson City.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Due to City budget constraints over the past years, City staff has been unable to complete routine path maintenance on the Highway 50 (East) multi-use path between Lompa Lane and East College Parkway/Fairview Drive. In addition, there are a number of safety and signage improvements that need to be made to the path to minimize conflicts between vehicle movements and pedestrians/bicyclists using the path.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: The Board of Supervisors has a grant policy that requires Board approval before staff can apply for any grants over \$25,000.

Fiscal Impact: If Carson City is awarded the \$186,248 grant, the City would be required to provide a 20% grant match. The City's total 20% grant match amount would be \$46,562. The City's 20% grant match is coming from two different funding sources. The first funding source is federal and the amount of \$34,921 (15%) will come from Community Development Block Grant funds. The second funding source is local and the amount of \$11,641 (5%) will come from the Public Works Department's Street Funds.

Explanation of Impact: The grant program requires each recipient to provide a 20% match in an amount of money or in-kind project related services.

Funding Source: Community Development Block Grant Fun Public Works Department's Street Funds	nds \$34,921 (15%) \$11,641 (5%)
Alternatives: 1) Not approve the grant application submittal 2) Request staff to modify the grant application	
Supporting Material: Exhibit A – Recreation Trails Grant Exhibit B – Project Area Map Exhibit C – Project Site Map Exhibit D – Existing Project Site Pic Exhibit E – Mayor's Letter of Support	ctures
Prepared By: Vern L. Krahn, Park Planner	Date: 3/21/13
Dan Doenges, Senior Transportation Planner	Date: 3/21/13
Reviewed By: Andrew Burnham, Public Works Director	Date: 3 126/13
Roger Moellendorf, Parks & Recreation Director	Date: 3 26/13
Lawrence A. Werner, City Manager	Date: 3 /26/13
District Attorney's Office	Date: 3 124/3
Finance Department	Date:/_/_
Board Action Taken:	
Motion: 1:	Aye/Nay
2:	
(Vote Recorded By)	

Grants available for recreational trails projects

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CARSON CITY, Nev. – Approximately \$1,250,000 in grant funds from the Federal Highway Administration trails assistance program is available for motorized, non-motorized and education trail projects. The Nevada Division of State Parks is accepting applications for eligible projects that include new construction, maintenance, trail related facilities or education projects. A minimum of 30% of funds will go to motorized projects. A maximum of 5% will be awarded to environmental education trail training projects.

Federal, state, city and county governments, special governmental districts, trail organizations and private individuals are potentially eligible for the grants.

Since 1993, the Recreational Trails Program has funded hiking and equestrian trails, trail brochures, trailheads, interpretive trails, OHVA/ATV trails, urban pedestrian/bicycle paths and trail education. Past projects include the Shoshone OHV Trail, the Tahoe Rim Trail, the Mount Charleston Blue Tree Trail and the Tahoe Pyramid Bikeway.

"This is a great opportunity to create or improve trails so more people can get out and appreciate Nevada's natural beauty," said Dave Morrow, administrator of Nevada State Parks.

The 2013 Grants Manual and Application packages are available at www.parks.nv.gov. or at the Division of State Parks office, located at 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 5005, Carson City, Nev. 89701. All National Environmental Policy Act requirements must be met before the submitting an application.

Applications are due April 5 by 5:00 p.m. at the State Parks office. Faxed or emailed copies are not accepted.

For further information or questions, please contact Jenny Scanland at 775-684-2787 or email at jscanland@parks.nv.gov.

The Nevada Division of State Parks plans, develops and maintains a system of parks and recreation areas for the use and enjoyment of more than 3.3 million visitors a year. The division was established in 1963 by the Nevada Legislature to form a new state park agency within the **Department of**Conservation and Natural Resources. The division manages and maintains 24 parks, historic sites and recreation areas in Nevada. Nevada State Parks is the Administrator of the Federal Recreational Trails Grant Program and the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Exhibit B

Highway 50 East Path Maintenance & Safety Upgrades - Area Map

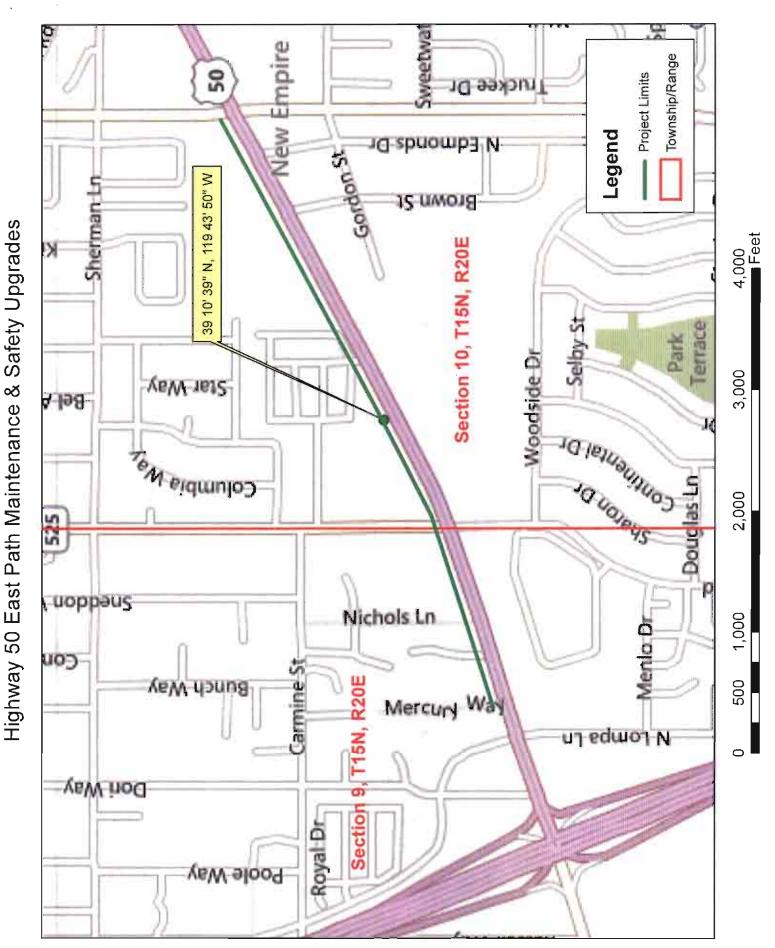
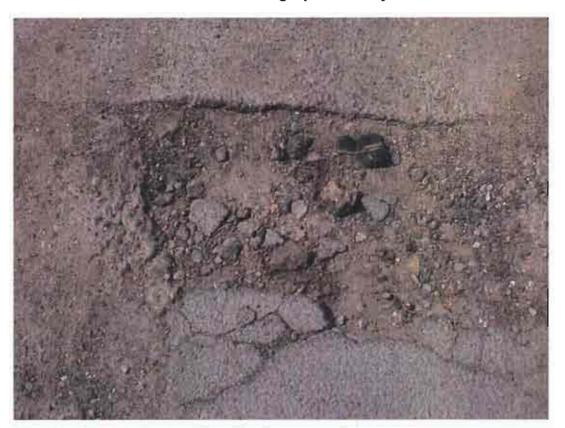
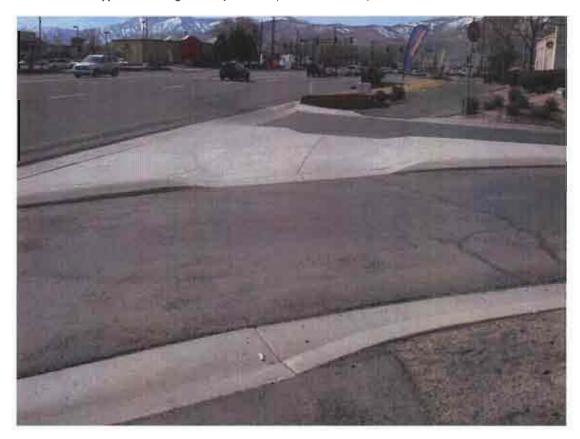


Exhibit C

Attachment X - Photographs of Project Area



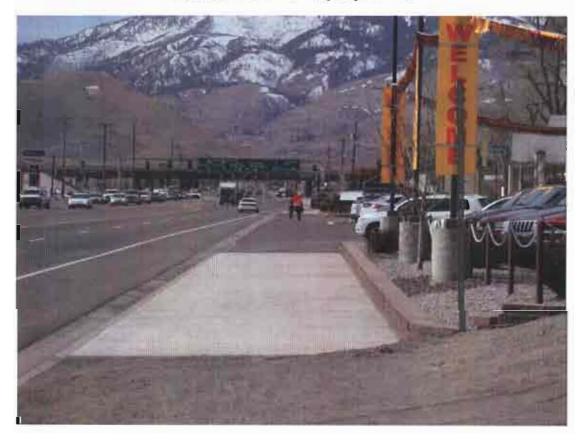
Typical Damage to Asphalt Proposed to be Replaced with Concrete



Example of Drive Area for Proposed Crosswalk Striping



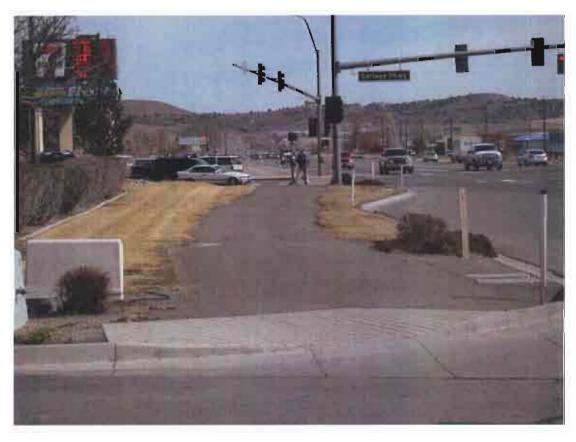
Asphalt Deterioration Along Edge of Path



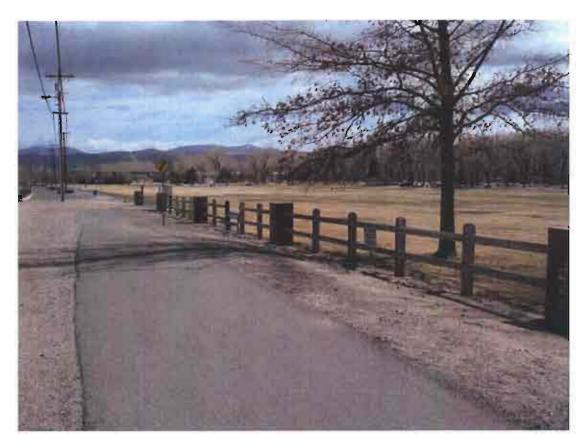
Example of Existing Concrete Path



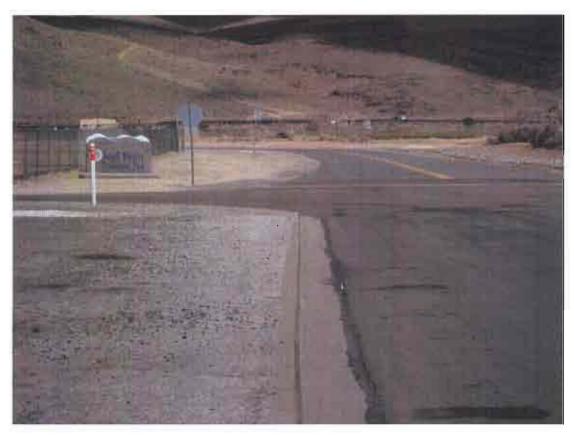
Example of Existing Section with Buffer and Landscaping



Looking East Toward College Parkway at East End of Project Limit – Area Proposed for Slurry Seal



Continuation of Path along Mills Park West of Project Area



Continuation of Path to Centennial Park Northeast of Project Area



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April 4, 2013

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Division of State Parks
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Re: Support for Nevada Recreational Trails Grant Application for Highway 50 (East)
Multi-Use Path Maintenance and Safety Upgrade Project

Dear Ms. Scanland,

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, I would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the Highway 50 (East) Multi-Use Path Maintenance and Safety Upgrade Project.

This path was originally constructed in the mid to late 1970's. The proposed project will address much needed path maintenance for an aging path facility and will provide many safety improvements along this stretch of the Highway 50 (East) multi-use path to make the route safer and more enjoyable for all facility users. In addition, the proposed improvements will help define the path as a distinct and separate non-motorized facility from that of the surrounding land uses and roadway.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor Carson City, Nevada