



## NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** NOACA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

**DATE:** June 2, 2017

**RE:** **Resolution 2017-022 – Project Planning Review for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017**

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

The Board of Directors is asked to approve a project proposed for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter SFY 2017 to acknowledge that it has successfully completed project planning review (PPR).

The Transportation Subcommittee and Planning and Programming Committee recommends this action.

#### **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION**

The fourth quarter PPR covers a roadway in Cuyahoga County. Detailed information about the project can be found at:

- i. Improvements at Granger Road and Transportation Boulevard in Garfield Heights:  
<http://www.noaca.org/index.aspx?page=7538>

The proposed project was presented to the NOACA Transportation Subcommittee (TS) at its March 24, 2017 meeting, the NOACA Planning and Programming Committee at its April 14, 2017 meeting and to the NOACA Executive Committee at its May 12, 2017 meeting in accordance with the PPR process.

NOACA's Regional Transportation Investment Policy (Resolution 2015-015) requires that all proposed federal-aid transportation projects be processed through PPR in order to meet NOACA's adopted goals and federal requirements.

PPR consists of four components: staff review, committee review, intergovernmental review and consultation (IGRC), and public involvement. The end product of PPR is a Board resolution that certifies that the project has had thorough review, allowing the project to proceed to the programming stages of the planning process.

As part of the PPR process, a detailed summary of the proposed improvement and staff and committee assessment of the project are posted on NOACA's website, [www.NOACA.org](http://www.NOACA.org). A link to the PPRs is included on the home page by clicking the 'Comment of Projects' button. Staff adds comments obtained from the public, governmental organizations and NOACA committees as they are received. Proposed projects are posted on the website for three months, allowing adequate time for review and comment.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no financial impact. The proposed project has completed project planning review consistent with NOACA's planning requirements.

### **CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS**

Following Board approval, project sponsor will be notified that its project has completed PPR. NOACA staff will work with project sponsor to address any planning issues identified during PPR prior to amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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Attachment: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter PPR Project List

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-022 PROJECT PLANNING REVIEW PROJECTS for 4th QUARTER SFY 2017  
ATTACHMENT 1  
6/2/2017**

Primary Work Category	PID No.	County	Sponsor	Project Name	Project Description	Total Cost	SFY
Roadway	80974	Cuyahoga	Garfield Heights	CUY TRANSPORTATION BLVD	The proposed project involves widening the pavement, widening the Transportation Boulevard bridge, over IR-480, minor IR-480 westbound ramp modification at the intersection and improving the traffic signal coordination, from Granger Road (SR-17) to IR-480 interchange, in Garfield Heights	\$5,206,742	PE - 2018 C - 2018

**TOTAL     \$5,206,742**

**RESOLUTION 2017-022  
(PROJECT PLANNING REVIEW  
for 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER SFY 2017)**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina, and the City of Cleveland; and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Congress of the United States, through law, and the U.S. Department of Transportation, through regulation, have determined that a long-range transportation plan and a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that include federal-aid transportation projects expected to be implemented during their time frames shall be prepared; and

**WHEREAS**, the NOACA's Regional Transportation Investment Policy (Resolution No. 2015-015) requires that all proposed federal-aid transportation projects be processed through project planning review in order to meet transportation plan goals and federal requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, project planning review consists of staff technical and policy assessment, committee review, public involvement, and Intergovernmental Review and Consultation; and

**WHEREAS**, the following projects have been processed through project planning review:

- a) City of Garfield Heights: CUY IR 480/TRANSPORTATION BLVD: PID No.: 80974 - The proposed project involves widening the pavement, widening the Transportation Boulevard bridge, over IR-480, minor IR-480 westbound ramp modification at the intersection and improving the traffic signal coordination, from Granger Road (SR-17) to IR-480 interchange, in Garfield Heights.

**WHEREAS**, the project planning review may contain recommendations that require project sponsor attention or action; and

**WHEREAS**, it is expected that the project sponsor will, in good faith, endeavor to address comments and recommendations and will provide evidence of such, prior to the projects advancing; and

**WHEREAS**, the above project planning review was recommended by the Transportation Subcommittee, the Planning and Programming Committee and the Executive Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of forty-five principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

**Section 1:** The project in attachment 1 has successfully completed project planning review. The project planning review is a part of the project's permanent record, and will be used in future programming and prioritization decisions. The project is not subject to additional planning review unless there are significant changes in scope or finances, as determined by the appropriate committee.

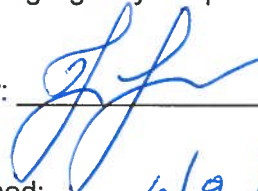
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**Section 2:** The project sponsor must endeavor to comply with any recommendations that have occurred as a result of the project planning review and will provide evidence of such in coordination meetings with NOACA staff. NOACA staff will report back to appropriate NOACA committees and the Board regarding the coordination meetings.

**Section 3:** The Executive Director is authorized to transmit certified copies of this resolution to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017.

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_



Timothy C. Lennon

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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