

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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City Council Meeting Date - Agenda Item Only  
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5/16/2019

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (620)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Staff requests approval to apply for a grant through the Walton Family Foundation in the maximum amount of \$2,000,000.00 for the construction of the Maple Street Cycle Track from the Razorback Regional Greenway to Garland Ave.

Budget Impact:

Account Number		Fund	
Project Number		Project Title	
Budgeted Item?	No	Current Budget	\$ -
		Funds Obligated	\$ -
		Current Balance	\$ -
Does item have a cost?	No	Item Cost	\$ -
Budget Adjustment Attached?	No	Budget Adjustment	
		Remaining Budget	\$ -

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Purchase Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # \_\_\_\_\_

Change Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Original Contract Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: If the grant is approved, matching funds are estimated to be \$1,000,000 and funds have been identified in the first phase of the transportation portion of the recently approved bonds.



**MEETING OF JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**THRU:** Don Marr, Chief of Staff  
Garner Stoll, Development Services Director  
Chris Brown, City Engineer

**FROM:** Matt Mihalevich, Trails Coordinator

**DATE:** May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**SUBJECT:** 2019-0155 Maple Street Cycle Track – Request to apply for grant funding

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests approval to apply for a grant through the Walton Family Foundation in the maximum amount of \$2,000,000.00 for the construction of the Maple Street Cycle Track from the Razorback Regional Greenway to Garland Ave.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Fayetteville and the University of Arkansas have been working together on the common goal of improving Maple Street from the Razorback Regional Greenway at Gregg Ave. to Garland Ave. In the Spring of 2018, the University of Arkansas contacted with Alta Planning + Design to develop conceptual plans for Maple Street that include a protected bicycle facility known as a cycle track.

On September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, resolution 198-18 was approved to share the final design cost of the Maple Street Cycle Track between the City of Fayetteville and the University of Arkansas in the amount of \$103,500 each. These funds were combined with a 50% Walton Family Foundation grant of \$207,000 to cover the \$414,000 design cost with Olsson Associates. Olsson will have final design plans and cost estimates by the first week in June.

This 2,475-linear foot facility will provide designated space for pedestrians and bicyclists separated from the roadway. The Maple Street cycle track has been identified as a catalyst project in the Northwest Arkansas Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Currently bicycle access to the University of Arkansas campus core and the surrounding neighborhoods is limited. The addition of the Maple Street connection will greatly improve the usability of the trail system for city residents including the campus's faculty, staff and students.

**DISCUSSION:**

The next step for the Maple Street Cycle Track is to take the design plans to construction. The Walton Family Foundation has expressed interest in funding 50% of the cost of construction in amount of up to \$2,000,000 and the other half would be split between the University of Arkansas and the City of Fayetteville in the estimated amount of \$1,000,000 each. On May 14<sup>th</sup>,

2019, the Transportation Committee reviewed the Maple Street Cycle Track Project voted unanimously (3 to 0) in support of applying for the Walton Family Foundation grant and splitting the matching funds with the University of Arkansas.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:**

Matching funds have been identified in the first phase of the transportation portion of the recently approved bonds. The staff review form budget impact has not been completed because the new bond funds are not yet available and project accounts have not been assigned. If the Walton Family Foundation Grant is approved in the maximum amount of \$2,000,000 then the City of Fayetteville will be responsible for an estimated of \$1,000,000 for the construction of the Maple Street Cycle Track. If approved, a separate City Council agenda item will be submitted to recognize the grant funding and the matching funds will be established at that time. Bids for the construction will not be taken until after the bond funds are available.

**Attachments:**

Walton Family Foundation request to apply  
Project map and concept drawings

The Walton Family Foundation would like to extend an invitation to the City of Fayetteville to apply for a 2-year, 1:1 matching grant of up to \$2,000,000 to construct the Maple Street Cycle Track project and associated qualifying improvements, connecting the Razorback Regional Greenway through Garland Avenue on the UA Campus with a protected, separated bicycle and pedestrian facility . Please note that an invitation to apply does not imply grant approval.

We utilize an on-line grant portal, which can be accessed at <http://grantapp.weioffice.com/online/#/>. The portal seems to work best with Google Chrome.

This link should take you to the portal's home screen. From here, click the yellow button at the top right corner of the screen, labeled "Register New Account". This will direct you to a new page where you can enter your information and create your personal login. Once you've registered, you'll be sent an email to confirm your registration. From there, you will be able to access the portal and begin completing a new grant application.

Please don't hesitate to call me or Jessica Kowalczyk, Home Region Program Coordinator/Grants Manager (479-464-2662), if you have any questions throughout this process. Another alternative is our 24/7 help line: 1-800-440-7527. The number calls our web support technician at WFF.

Regards,  
Jeremy

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Section for  
Construction  
Garland Ave.  
to Razorback  
Greenway

## BUS ROUTES

- ## EXISTING TRAILS

- ## PROPOSED CONNECTIONS

-  Oak Ridge Connector
-  Garland Shared Street
-  Maple Cycle Track
-  Bike Route

PREPARED BY:



# MAPLE ST - GARLAND TO LEVERETT

SCALE: 1" = 10'





