



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 7, 2022
PREPARED BY: Jupe Hale, P.E., Asst. Public Works Director/Asst. City Engineer
AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Cooperative Agreement with Hennepin County

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

At their June 21, 2021 meeting, Council adopted Resolution No. 21-082 accepting bid for Fernbrook Lane/Territorial Road Project No. 20-19.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to approve Cooperative Agreement between the City of Maple Grove and County of Hennepin subject to final review by the City Attorney and Director of Public Works.

COMMENTS:

The roundabout at Fernbrook Lane and Territorial Road (City Proj. No. 20-19) was ordered by City Council as a means to facilitate local traffic safely accessing Fernbrook Lane (County Road 123), after reaching conceptual agreement with the county to allow for construction (but without cost sharing). Given the difficulty of construction and lack of adequate detour routes, the low bid for the project came in approximately \$200,000 above Engineer's Estimate. Prior to Council award of the project, Hennepin County offered to contribute \$200,000 to the project, both as a gesture to assist the city with the project overrun, but also as an acknowledgement of the benefit of the roundabout to the county's system from both a safety and capacity perspective.

The proposed Cooperative Agreement is the vehicle that commits Hennepin County to their contribution and allows them to pay that share to the city. The agreement is a standard form of agreement between the county and its city partners. Staff recommends approval of the Cooperative Agreement, subject to final review by the City Attorney and Director of Public Works.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Cooperative Agreement