

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Anchorage****Project Title:**

Anchorage - Independence Dr. Reconstruction - Abbott Road To Ridgemont Road

State Funding Requested: \$ 3,250,000**House District: 29 - O**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

This project will completely reconstruct a collector street, that portion of Independence Drive between Abbot Road and Ridgemont Road.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$6,500,000**Funding Secured

Amount FY

Other Pending Requests

Amount FY

Anticipated Future Need

Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

This project will reconstruct a deteriorating collector street, extend it south to Ridgemont Road, add pedestrian facilities to both sides of the roadway, and provide for traffic speed moderation. Project design, utility placement, and easement acquisition have all been performed, and funded by municipal road bonds.

Project Timeline:

Upon funding, construction will be in 2009.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Municipality of Anchorage

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No



Mark Begich, Mayor

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Representative Kevin Meyer
Alaska State Legislature
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Representative Meyer:

Re: Additional Local Bond Match

This is a follow-up to our discussions on the possibility of an additional local bond match on four projects in the Municipality's 2008 Legislative Program. All of these projects are in our highest priority category and over \$10 million has already been allocated to the projects through voter approved road bonds. Design is well underway and construction could start in 2009 if funding is provided. Fully funding the projects would have clear economic and traffic safety benefits to Anchorage in 2009.

The requested 2008 state grants would complete funding for each of these projects. The Municipality supports the concept of a 50/50 partnership in the construction funding of the projects. If the legislature provides half the requested grants on all four projects, we commit to pursuing the balance in our 2009 road bond. The projects affected and the amended grant amounts are summarized below:

Project	State Grant	Local Bond	Total
#3 Spenard Rd Safety Upgrades	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$7,000,000
#5 9 th Ave Safety and Reconstruction	\$4,500,000	\$4,500,000	\$9,000,000
#9 Edward St Safety Upgrade	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$7,000,000
#10 Independence Dr Reconstruction	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$6,500,000

Thank you very much for your interest in funding priority transportation projects in Anchorage. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this funding partnership.

Sincerely,

Jim Lamson
Capital Project Development Manager

cc: Senator Hollis French, Senator Johnny Ellis, Senator Bill Wielechowski, Senator John Cowdery, Representative Mike Doogan, Representative Les Gara, Representative Bob Roses, David Ramseur, Mike Abbott,