

# CITY OF MITCHELL

City Council Meeting  
Agenda Item Request



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Meeting Date Requested:  Requested By:

Desired Action of City Council:  Authorization  Approval  Resolution  
 Ordinance  Citizen Request  Discussion

Amount Budgeted in current fiscal year for this item (if applicable):

Agenda Item:

Explanation/Background of Agenda Item Requested:

The City of Mitchell applied for and has been awarded a South Dakota Department of Transportation (SD DOT) Transportation Planning Analysis Grant. The resolution authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the SD DOT, sign all documents and pay requests for the transportation planning analysis. The City would be responsible for 25% of the final cost not to exceed \$50,000 for a possible total cost of \$200,000.

The work will be a comprehensive analysis and report of the transportation systems, organization, resources, and plans within the city planning jurisdiction. The efforts will provide findings, recommendations, and proposals that addresses the needs of all modes of transportation serving the community's citizens and visitors. Those conducting the work may have to opportunity to adjust the scope if necessary as result of an examination of the present and future projects proposed. Specific issues to be addressed for the City of Mitchell during the scope could include:

- Traffic Signal Timing for the City's Major Corridors
- Warrant for the Construction of S. Mattie Street and Other Future Travelways
- Downtown Traffic Pattern and Parking - Best Practices.
- Best Establishment of Snow Emergency Routes

Additionally, the final document is intended to be a planning guide for decision makers considering maintenance, replacement, enhancement, and installation projects or policies affecting transportation services. The final document will also be established for justification of State and Federal grant applications, including the State's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).

Additional funding available after establishing a City Transportation Plan include:

- Office of Highway Safety
- Transportation Economic Development Grants
  - Industrial Park Grants (SW Drainage Plan for future economic growth)
  - Agri Business Grants (Spruce East Extension at MTI Entrances)
- Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration
- US Department of Transportation - State Planning and Recreation Program
  - Multi-Use Trails Plans
  - Master Bicycle Plans

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The SD DOT intends to seek proposals for a transportation planning analysis for the area of Mitchell to be defined. An Advisory team (SAT) will be formally established after the agreement has been approved and signed by both parties.

City Staff recommends approval of the South Dakota Department of Transportation - Transportation Planning Grant