



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

District I

Item Creation Date:

HPW- 20FMS53 Seaport Connectivity Program

Agenda Item#:

### **Summary:**

### **Background:**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt an ordinance authorizing submission of a grant application to the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)** Seaport Connectivity Program (SCP) for the reconstruction of a portion of Oates Road.

**SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:** Houston Public Works (HPW) and Port Houston are partnering to submit a project nomination to TxDOT SCP for the reconstruction of a 1.76-mile segment of Oates Road. The proposed project will improve connectivity and increase access to port facilities by providing an alternate route from Business U.S. Highway 90 and Wallisville Road. The corridor serves as a middle-mile connector for Houston's freight network and provides direct access to multiple industrial warehouses and manufacturers who are customers of Port Houston. Oates Road will become a viable alternate route for freight to bypass traffic congestion on IH 610 East to traverse to Wallisville Road and to Business U.S. Highway 90.

If the application is successful, it is anticipated that the City of Houston will sponsor the Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with TxDOT to develop the project and receive funds. HPW will request City Council approval for the AFA as well as an interlocal agreement between the City of Houston and Port Houston to formalize roles and responsibilities for the implementation of the project.

The table below identifies the requested funding amount and anticipated local match requirement.

Project	Managing Department	Funding Request	Estimated Local Match	Total
Oates Rd Reconstruction	Houston Public Works	\$15,239,076.00	\$5,079,692.00	\$20,318,768.00

**FISCAL NOTE:** No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Carol Ellinger Haddock, P.E., Director  
Houston Public Works

### **Amount and Source of Funding:**

\$15,239,076.00 from Fund No. 5410 State-HPW Grant Funded DDSRF

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### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Type
Project Map	Backup Material
Application	Contract/Exhibit
City Finance Approval	Backup Material