<u>Item Title:</u> Accept and Appropriate \$154,000 in Additional Funding for the Church Street Sidewalk Project in Morrisville, NC

## Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates \$154,000 from the Town of Morrisville for additional funding of a current Community Development Block Grant improvement project.

## Item Summary:

On May 5, 2014 the Board of Commissioners approved the FY2014-2015 Wake County Action Plan. The Action Plan contains an allocation of \$371,266 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to construct a sidewalk along Church Street in Morrisville.

The project will provide a safe pedestrian connection, linking residents with two schools. The project includes a total of 1,715 linear feet of sidewalk, curb and gutter placement along Church Street from Treybrooke Drive north to Sterling Montessori School and Cedar Fork Elementary. This project is located within one of the HUD certified Low-Income Block Groups (0536001) and will serve approximately 18 families.

The purpose of the project will be to will create a safer pedestrian network for children and residents in this highly traveled area of Morrisville.

Source	Funding
Original Project Cost:	-
Community Development Block Grant	\$371,266
Town of Morrisville Required Match	\$ 92,817
Subtotal	\$464,083
Additional Project Funding:	
Town of Morrisville	\$154,000
Total Project Cost	\$618,083

A total of up to \$371,266 is allowed for this public facility project as identified in the Action Plan. It is the responsibility of the municipality to provide 20% in matching funds. Any funding over the aforementioned amounts is 100% the responsibility of the Town.

The August 17, 2016 project bid, with a low bid of \$498,226.50, was above the engineers estimate and exceeded the original program budget. This resulted in a need for additional funds. The higher bid numbers are due to a general rise in construction costs and delays in easement acquisition.

The Morrisville Town Council approved the additional \$154,000 in funds at the September 27, 2016 meeting.

Wake County will administer the additional funds including construction administration and project closeout. No additional County funds are required. Board action is required to appropriate the additional \$154,000.

## Attachments:

- 1. Map of Proposed Sidewalk Improvements
- 2. Budget Memo