

Proposed Substitute CA-1 Resolution
January 23, 2023 Council Agenda

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Resolution to Commence a Collaborative Planning Process between the University of Michigan and the City of Ann Arbor for the Rehabilitation, Widening, and Non-motorized Transportation Enhancement of the East Medical Center Bridge

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The City of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan both recognize the strategic importance of the East Medical Center Drive Bridge for both local and regional populations.

The project area extends along East Medical Center Drive from Fuller Road to Cancer Center Drive.

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..Resolution

Whereas, The East Medical Center Drive Bridge provides a vital link enabling the regional community to access medical services as a world class campus;

Whereas, The East Medical Center Drive Bridge serves as a primary artery enabling local nonmotorized residents to access needed services as well as connecting to area neighborhoods;

Whereas, The East Medical Center Drive Bridge serves as a connector enabling a highly skilled and internationally recognized staff to reach their employment centers;

Whereas, The East Medical Center Drive Bridge is in poor condition and requires rehabilitation work to return it to a state of good repair;

Whereas, Both the City of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan have adopted ambitious climate action plans – A2Zero and Planet Blue – that prioritize the reduction of vehicle miles traveled;

Whereas, The current condition of the East Medical Center Drive Bridge provides an opportunity for the City of Ann Arbor to address a community need in a manner consistent with its A2Zero stated policy; and

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan acknowledge that a proposed pathway underneath the bridge cannot be addressed at this time;

RESOLVED, That the City Council approves collaborating with the University of Michigan to develop a design for the project that ensures the rehabilitation of the physical condition of the Bridge, a widening of the Bridge to better facilitate access to the Medical Center by both motorized and nonmotorized populations;

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RESOLVED, That the City Council supports the widening of the East Medical Center Drive Bridge to accommodate nonmotorized users on both the east and west sides with a width of 13' on the east and 10' on the west side that are consistent with federal and state guidance;

RESOLVED, The City Council authorizes the City Administrator to expend \$500,000 towards the estimated \$2.05M project cost. The University of Michigan is contributing \$1.505M towards the project;

RESOLVED, The City of Ann Arbor agrees that if the project cost comes in less than the estimated \$2.05M the savings will accrue to the University of Michigan, and the City of Ann Arbor's contribution will remain constant; and

RESOLVED, If the actual cost of the project as determined by rebidding comes in higher than the estimated cost the parties must reconvene to determine a course of action.