

STAFF REPORT

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SUBJECT:

Sunset Avenue Culvert Design – Supplemental Appropriation

PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to seek Town Council approval to proceed with design of a second culvert on Sunset Avenue using supplemental funds to be transferred from the Bridge Fund.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

The Council is urged to support this Resolution which will allow the Town to continue its systematic review and upgrade of various culverts and bridges throughout the community.

BACKGROUND

DPW had identified the need to upgrade an existing metal pipe culvert in the vicinity of 28 Sunset Avenue. \$50,000 was approved in the FY 21 budget for this purpose. The engineering consultant also identified a need to assess the hydraulic capacity of a second culvert located near the intersection of Windham Road and Sunset Avenue. The consultant had submitted a design cost of \$136,201 for both culvert designs.

DISCUSSION

The first culvert (near 28 Sunset Avenue) was originally slated for construction in Summer 2021. It appears that the Town may secure a better price for both culverts if the projects are bundled for construction potentially in 2022 or 2023.

Therefore, it imperative to initiate design work on the second culvert in FY 21 to afford the opportunity for construction on both culverts. A supplemental appropriation of \$86,201 is requested, with the source of funding being the Bridge Fund, current balance of which is \$297,025.

FISCAL IMPACT

No tax impact after the transfer from funds already raised by taxation or other sources.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL

It is recommended that Town Council approve the following supplemental appropriation for the purpose completing the designs on two culverts on Sunset Avenue.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

See Resolution #2021-017.