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AGENDA ITEM 16

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The Honorable Hubert Brodell  
Mayor of Jonesboro  
P. O. Box 1845  
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Re: Proposed Lawson Road Widening

Dear Mayor Brodell:

Reference is made to your recent letter requesting Federal-aid funds to widen Lawson Road. In order to proceed with programming a Federal-aid Surface Transportation Program project, your City Council must adopt a resolution for the project (see Attachment B enclosed) and then the Agreement of Understanding should be signed.

Upon receipt of a signed and sealed copy of the resolution and the signed Agreement, State and Federal-aid numbers will be assigned and a copy of the executed Agreement of Understanding will be returned to you. We will then request a deposit from the City prior to beginning preliminary engineering. It will be several years before funds are available for construction and there is a maximum upper limit of \$1 million in Federal-aid for projects of this type.

Lawson Road is eligible for Federal-aid funding. However, the proposed new alignment of Lawson Road from Highway 49 to Mt. Carmel Road will need to be functionally classified as a collector or arterial in order to qualify for Federal-aid funding. This will require a letter from you requesting this addition to the City's functional classification system.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Morgan in the Programs and Contracts Division at (501) 569-2261.

Yours truly,

Robert L. Walters  
Chief Engineer

Enclosures

c: Director