

Public Hearing: May 9, 2005

F A C T S H E E T

TITLE: Resolution to approve an Agreement between the City of Lincoln and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) for funding of the SW 40th Street / BNSF Overpass.

SPONSOR: Public Works and Utilities

OPPONENTS: Unknown

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Recommend approval

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:
Planning, Urban Development, and RTSD.
Nebraska Dept. of Roads
FHWA
Lancaster County

APPLICANT: Public Works and Utilities

REASON FOR LEGISLATION: To accept and approve an agreement between the City of Lincoln and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway for funding of an Overpass in SW 40th Street over the existing BNSF Railroad tracks in the amount of \$500,000.

D I S C U S S I O N

The City proposes to implement SW 40th Street Study results which will include closing the existing At-Grade Railroad crossing, construction of a new Bridge over Middle Creek, and construction of a Viaduct over the existing BNSF RR At-Grade crossing with temporary pavement connecting north and south of the structures.

This agreement is for the BNSF portion of funding based on a theoretical 44 foot wide viaduct over the BNSF tracks, with a sidewalk/bikeway on one side, from touch down to touch down.

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: No

COST OF TOTAL PROJECT: Viaduct Estimated at \$10,643,970

SOURCE OF FUNDS: RTSD = \$4,700,000 , State = \$455,454, FHWA = \$4,487,256 ,
BNSF RR = \$500,000 , County = \$197,568

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BENEFIT COST: N/A

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