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**CITY OF TEMPE  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Council Meeting Date: 08/18/2016  
Agenda Item: 5C1**

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**ACTION:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Certification Acceptance Agreement between the City of Tempe and the Arizona Department of Transportation for design, plans, specifications, estimates, contract awards, and inspections for Federal-Aid Highway Program projects. (Resolution No. R2016.79)

**FISCAL IMPACT:** No impact on City funds.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution No. R2016.79.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The City of Tempe has had a Certification Acceptance (CA) Agreement in place since 1998. It is one of only eight agencies throughout Arizona to have achieved the status as a CA Agency. This designation not only allows the City of Tempe to manage their own procurement and oversight of construction projects funded by the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA), but also allows the City to save both administrative fees to Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), and time. The current agreement is due to expire in October 2016.

ADOT, through advisement from the FHWA, has had to develop a new CA Oversight program which is inclusive of training, a new manual and standardized agreement for all CA agencies. Over the past year, staff has been working closely with ADOT to develop all three.

Adoption of this agreement will continue to allow the City to provide its own procurement and construction oversight of Federal-Aid Highway Program projects allowing all of the allocated Federal money to go towards the project rather than paying ADOT to administer and construct City of Tempe projects when they can fit it into their schedule.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Resolution and Certification Acceptance Agreement

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