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**CITY OF TEMPE**  
**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Council Meeting Date: 10/27/2016**  
**Agenda Item: 5C3**

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**ACTION:** Adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Arizona for the design and construction of railroad safety improvements at Elliot Road and Kyrene Road. (Resolution No. R2016.97)

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Sufficient funds are available in the General Fund CIP #5408041 for Tempe's match of the design and construction totaling \$405,046 with matching federal grant funds of \$2,196,000.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution No. R2016.97.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The purpose of the Intergovernmental Agreement is to prepare final design documents including approved environmental, project assessment, and all necessary documents and steps to secure and obligate federal funding for the construction of railroad safety improvements at the intersection of Elliot Road and Kyrene Road. This project will construct safety improvements to upgrade the railroad crossing at the intersection of Elliot and Kyrene roads as identified by the diagnostic team composed of representatives from Federal Railroad Administration, Arizona Corporation Commission, Union Pacific Railroad, Arizona Department of Transportation and City of Tempe Public Works staff. The team identified major safety deficiencies of the railroad crossing that included crossing gates and railroad signal equipment. Improvements will include construction of new railroad crossing signal equipment, crossing gates, extended and widened raised medians, relocation of sidewalks, lane reconfiguration, new striping and improved transit stops. Pursuant to the agreement, the state is the designated agent of the City for the project and will administer the scoping and design of the project, will prepare the plans, estimates and specifications and, will submit the appropriate documents to the Federal Highway Administration. The state will also pursue federal funding in support of the project through the Federal Highway Administration; the City must provide matching funds and carry responsibility for any financial overages.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Resolution, Intergovernmental Agreement, Exhibit A

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