Clemson sets aside funds for S.C. 93

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CLEMSON — Clemson City Council has given final approval to providing $104,110 for its local match on a grant application with Clemson University that, if approved, will improve pedestrian safety along S.C. Highway 93.

Council authorized seeking a South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) Enhancement Grant that would pay for improvements on the south side of the highway. The north side of the road would be addressed next year.

Officials say the amount of the local share will not impact the city's budget since it will be derived through Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and budgeted in fiscal 2010-2011.

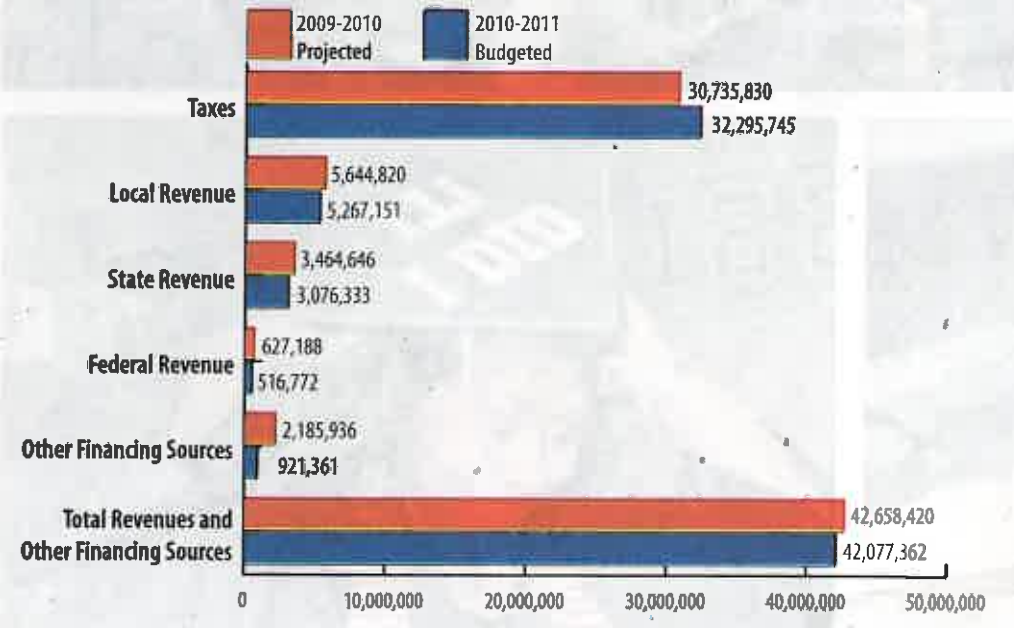
"The city will be reimbursed by the university," Cotton said, adding that CU Assistant Campus Planner Pete Knudson validated the cost share formula with a SCDOT representative prior to the application submission.

The grant would provide funding for sidewalk and pedestrian safety enhancements along the S.C. Highway 93 corridor.

The grant is competitive, meaning it, as well as other submittals, will be considered by the SCDOT later this summer. Cotton is unsure how long it will take before a decision is made. "It could be at least three months," he said.

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