

May 1, 2024

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: Applications for Various Grants

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grants of up to \$8,000,000 from the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (ALN 20.205) grant programs; for a grant of up to \$1,000,000 from the Transportation Alternatives Grant (ALN 20.205) awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments; for Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund grants awarded by Cincinnati Metro; for grants awarded by the Ohio Public Works Commission; and for Municipal Road Fund grants awarded by Hamilton County, all to fund various Department of Transportation and Engineering transportation projects.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for various grants, all to fund various Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTE) projects. DOTE identified the attached list of projects for potential grant funding, although the list is subject to change and DOTE may apply for resources for projects not included in the attachment.

The first grant application deadline is June 7, 2024. The City may have already applied for the grants, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval of the City Council.

Depending on the terms of the grant award for each project, local matching resources may be required and will be identified in future capital improvement program project funding. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with these grants.

The implementation of various road, bridge, pedestrian, and bicycle construction projects is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" and strategies to "[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel," and "[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system" as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director Karen Alder, Finance Director

