

March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: River Road Crossings Safety Improvements

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI,” for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI”; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI.”

Approval of this Ordinance establishes capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossing Safety Imprvmnts – CRISI,” to rebuild existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, make equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increase storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources up to \$6,067,200 from the CRISI Program (ALN 20.325) to new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossing Safety Imprvmnts – CRISI.” Finally, this Ordinance authorizes the Finance Director to deposit grant resources into the capital improvement program project account.

The CRISI grant requires matching resources of up to \$1,516,800, which is available in capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x232306, “Street Improvements.” No new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of these grant resources.

The River Road Highway/Rail Grade Crossing Safety Improvements project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop a regional transportation system that promotes economic vitality” and strategy to “[s]upport regional and intercity transportation initiatives” as described on pages 139 - 145 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment

