


May 3, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  202301297

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232311, “Transportation Safety Action Plan Grant,” to provide grant resources to conduct a transportation safety action plan (“TSAP”) to prevent deaths and serious injuries on City of Cincinnati roadways; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$250,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program (ALN 20.939) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232311, “Transportation Safety Action Plan Grant,” to conduct a TSAP to prevent deaths and serious injuries on City of Cincinnati roadways; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will establish capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232311, “Transportation Safety Action Plan Grant,” for the purpose of providing grant resources to conduct a Transportation Safety Action Plan (“TSAP”) to prevent deaths and serious injuries on City of Cincinnati roadways. Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will also authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$250,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program (ALN 20.939) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232311, “Transportation Safety Action Plan Grant.” Finally, this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

On September 8, 2022, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0267-2022, which authorized the City Manager to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$250,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation’s SS4A Grant Program to conduct a Transportation Safety Action Plan (TSAP) to prevent deaths and serious injuries on City of Cincinnati roadways. The City received the grant award, which requires City Council authorization to accept and appropriate.

Acceptance of the grant requires local matching resources of up to 20% of the total project amount, totaling up to \$62,500, which may be provided from existing and

future capital improvement program projects, including existing account nos. 980x232x232383, "Pedestrian Safety Improvements," and 980x232x232336, "Neighborhood Transportation Strategies." Acceptance of grant resources does not require additional FTEs.

The TSAP is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" and strategy to "[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system," as described on pages 127-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept the SS4A grant resources to begin the transportation safety action plan in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

