

December 11, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *SM*

202402505

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: Accept PROTECT Grant for Landslide Mitigation

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252346, “Landslide Mitigation PROTECT Grant,” to provide landslide and retaining wall failure mitigation throughout the City; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Promoting Resilient Operations for Cost-Saving Transportation (“PROTECT”) grant (ALN 20.205) of up to \$10,079,824 from the U.S. Department of Transportation and administered by the Federal Highway Administration to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252346, “Landslide Mitigation PROTECT Grant”; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit grant resources into the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252346, “Landslide Mitigation PROTECT Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

This Ordinance establishes capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252346, “Landslide Mitigation PROTECT Grant,” to provide landslide and retaining wall failure mitigation throughout the City. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Promoting Resilient Operations for Cost-Saving Transportation (“PROTECT”) grant of up to \$10,079,824 to the newly established “Landslide Mitigation PROTECT Grant” capital improvement program project account.

On September 7, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0293-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for a PROTECT grant of up to \$10,200,000. The City was awarded up to \$10,079,824 in PROTECT grant resources.

The PROTECT grant requires a twenty percent local match, which will be provided from a combination of future capital improvement program projects, existing grants, and partially funded Community Budget Requests (CBRs). No new FTE/full time equivalents are required.

Utilizing grant funding for transportation projects that improve the safety of City streets is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and strategy to [p]reserve our built history” as described on pages 193 – 198 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment

