

June 15, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager



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Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: STBG and TA Grants Application

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant from the Surface Transportation Block Grant program in an amount of up to \$8,000,000 and to apply for the Transportation Alternatives Grant from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments in an amount of up to \$1,000,000, for the timely completion of two transportation projects managed by the City's Department of Transportation & Engineering.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for grants from the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program in an amount of up to \$8,000,000, and for the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Grant from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Governments in an amount of up to \$1,000,000, for the timely completion of several transportation projects managed by the City's Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTE).

DOTE is considering the following project for STBG funding:

- Gilbert Avenue – Court Street to Martin Luther King Boulevard within the Mount Adams, Pendleton, and Walnut Hills neighborhoods to reduce vehicular lane miles, install a bicycle facility, and make intersection and pedestrian safety improvements.

DOTE is also considering the following project for TA grant funding:

- Beechmont Avenue Trail Connection in the Mount Washington neighborhood to extend the Little Miami Trail from Elston Avenue to Ranchvale Drive, and coordination with projects already underway by Anderson Township and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT).

The STBG and TA grant applications were due on June 3, 2022. No funds will be accepted without approval of the City Council.

The grants require a 20% local match, which will be identified in future capital project funding if awarded. No new FTEs are required in association with these grants.

The rehabilitation and improvement of the City's transportation infrastructure is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood vitality," 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

Attachment

