

May 17, 2023

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

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

202301431

**Subject:** Ordinance – DOTE: MRF and OPWC Round 38 Grant Applications

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for grants, loans, and loan assistance awarded by Hamilton County from the Municipal Road Fund Program and the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program, the Local Transportation Improvement Program, and the Revolving Loan Program (Funding Round 38) to ensure the timely completion of various road, bridge, and pedestrian construction projects throughout the City.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for grants, loans, and loan assistance awarded by Hamilton County from the Municipal Road Fund (MRF) Program and the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP), the Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP), and the Revolving Loan Program (Funding Round 38) for the purpose of ensuring the timely completion of various road, bridge, and pedestrian construction projects throughout the City.

DOTe identified a list of potential projects for grant funding, which is attached. However, the list is subject to change, and DOTe may apply for resources to support projects not included in the attachment. Anticipated sources of local match funds would come from existing and future capital improvement program project accounts. No new FTEs are required.

DOTe will prepare all applications as requests for grant funding, but there may be opportunities to obtain additional zero percent interest loans for these projects once the District Integrating Committee allocation of grant monies is exhausted. If the City is awarded any grants, loans, or loan assistance under these programs, DOTe will request authorization from the City Council to accept and appropriate such resources.

The implementation of various road, bridge, and pedestrian construction projects is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability,” 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

