

August 1, 2022

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee 202201605

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants (TIG)**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grants awarded by the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority Transit Infrastructure Fund for the purpose of ensuring the timely completion of various public infrastructure projects throughout the City.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for grants awarded by the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) Transit Infrastructure Fund for the purpose of ensuring the timely completion of various public infrastructure projects throughout the City.

The Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTE) applied for SORTA grants for fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year 2024 capital projects by the June 30, 2022 deadline. DOTE provided a list of potential projects that were included in the grant application, which are available in Attachment A. However, this list is subject to change. Grant resources will not be accepted without City Council approval.

Depending on the terms of the grant award for each project, local matching resources may be required for acceptance and would come from existing and future capital project accounts. No new FTEs are associated with these grants.

The implementation of various public infrastructure 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 reason for the emergency is the immediate need for the Department of Transportation and Engineering to apply for grants awarded by the SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund for fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year 2024 capital improvement projects.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

