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## **MOTION**

*To provide a report on available funding to small businesses impacted by road closures*

**WE MOVE** that the Administration provide a report within 60 days on potential grants, loan funding programs, and possible funding sources for businesses impacted by City construction projects.

## **STATEMENT**

The repairs along Riverside Drive and Edwards Road have caused unintentional and unintended harm to small businesses located adjacent to the projects. The work of keeping our streets well-maintained is important, but many small businesses still have a loss of profit during periods of road closure along our neighborhood business districts. Particularly in the case of emergency road repairs, these businesses often have very little lead time to adjust their planned expenditures to adjust for major road closures.

This report should include short-term grant funding or loan structures for the impacted small businesses and explore opportunities to create support programs for these businesses during periods of road closures in our neighborhood business districts. Administration should explore existing programs from other cities, including Salt Lake City's Small Business Construction Mitigation Grant and the City of San Antonio's Small Business Construction Support Grant Program.

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