

May 10, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: STBG, CMAQ, and TA Grants Application

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grants from the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (ALN 20.205) grant programs in an amount of up to \$8,000,000, and to apply for a grant in an amount of up to \$1,000,000 from the Transportation Alternatives Grant (ALN 20.205) awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments, all for the timely completion of several transportation projects managed by the City's Department of Transportation & Engineering.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for grants from the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant programs in an amount of up to \$8,000,000, and to apply for a grant in an amount of up to \$1,000,000 from the Transportation Alternatives Grant awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI), all for several transportation projects managed by the City's Department of Transportation & Engineering (DOTE).

DOTE identified a list of potential projects for grant funding, which is provided as an attachment. However, the list is subject to change, and DOTE may apply for resources to support projects not included in the attachment.

Grant applications are due on June 3, 2023, but no funds will be accepted without City Council approval. The grants require a 20% local match, which will be identified in future capital improvement program project funding if the grants are 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 livability" and strategies to "[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel" and "[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system," 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

