

June 3, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

202102091

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Apply for Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants

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 road and bridge construction projects throughout the City.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize 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 road and bridge construction projects throughout the City.

The Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTE) intends to apply for grants awarded by the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) Transit Infrastructure Fund by June 30, 2021, for fiscal year 2022 capital improvement projects, in order to ensure the timely completion of projects DOTE identifies as high priorities. A list of potential projects and planned sources for the local match is attached, although the list is subject to change and DOTE may apply for resources or projects not included in Attachment A. DOTE will request authorization from the City Council to accept and appropriate grant funding if awarded.

There are no FTE increases associated with these grants.

The implementation of these potential projects is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “develop 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 DOTE to apply for grants awarded by the SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund by June 30, 2021, for fiscal year 2022 capital improvement projects.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment