

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 10/17/23

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 23-0891

LOG NAME: 20SS4A COMP SAFETY ACTION PLAN FEDERAL GRANT AGREEMENT

SUBJECT

(ALL) Ratify Application for and Authorize Acceptance of the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant with the United States Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration in the Amount Up to \$524,381.60 for the Citywide Safety Action Plan Project Which Includes City Participation in the Amount of \$104,876.00, Adopt Appropriation Ordinances and Amend the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify application for federal funds and authorize execution of the Federal Grant Agreement with the Federal Highway Administration for the Safe Streets and Roads for All Discretionary Grant Program - SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan project (City Project No. 105099) in the amount of \$524,381.60, with Federal participation in the amount of \$419,505.60 and city participation in the amount of \$104,876.00;
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Capital Projects Federal Fund, subject to the receipt of the grant, (1) in an amount up to \$419,505.60 for Federal participation and (2) in the amount up to \$104,876.00 for City participation, transferred from the General Capital Projects Fund, for the purpose of funding the SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan project (City Project No. 105099);
3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the General Capital Projects Fund by increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan project (City Project No. 105099) in the amount of \$104,876.00 and decreasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Traffic System Maintenance programmable project (City Project No. P00021) by the same amount, for the purpose of transferring to the Grants Capital Projects Fund for the required local match; and
4. Amend the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth (City) Transportation and Public Works Department applied for and was awarded funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to develop a citywide Comprehensive Safety Action Plan through the Safe Streets and Roads for All discretionary grant program. Development of the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan aligns with City Council Resolution No. 5149-11-2019, which affirms the City's support for development of a Vision Zero based strategy to eliminate traffic related fatalities and serious injuries. The Plan will build on High-Injury Network analysis completed in 2020, and will establish the City's Vision Zero commitment by recommending a portfolio of policies, programs, and projects to reduce crashes, injuries and fatalities for all modes. The creation of this plan will qualify the City to compete for implementation projects in future rounds of the Safe Streets and Roads for All program.

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to ratify application for and authorize acceptance of the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), a division of the United States Department of Transportation. The agreement details the responsibilities of both the City and FHWA in the development of the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. This M&C also adopts an appropriation ordinance to accept federal grant funds for the project.

Appropriations for the SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan project are as depicted below:

Fund	Funding Amount
Grants Capital Projects Federal Fund - Federal Participation	\$419,505.60
Grants Capital Projects Federal Fund - City Participation	\$104,876.00
Project Total	\$524,381.60

Funding for this project was not included in the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program because the project and funding sources were unknown at the time of its development. The action in this M&C will amend the Fiscal Years 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program as approved in connection with Ordinance 26453-09-2023.

Funding for the City participation for this grant is available in the Traffic System Maintenance programmable project.

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30100	P00021-Traffic System Maintenance	(\$104,876.00)
31001	105099-SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan	\$104,876.00

Funding is budgeted in the TPW Dept Highway & Streets Department's Traffic System Maintenance programmable project within the General Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan project.

Since no City salaries will be charged, indirect cost recovery does not apply.

Transportation and Public Works staff are initiating the procurement of consultant services to create the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. The project is expected to start in the Winter of 2023 and be completed by the Fall of 2025.

The SS4A Comp Safety Action Plan Project is located in ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Federal Highway Administration

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the current capital budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Capital Projects Federal Fund. The Transportation and Public Works Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Transportation and Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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