

Legislation Text

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PRESENTER:

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SUBJECT:

Approval of a resolution supporting the submission of projects to the U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All grant.

DEPARTMENT: Transportation and Capital Improvements

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program provides grants to local, regional, and tribal communities for implementation, planning, and demonstration activities as part of a systematic approach to prevent deaths and serious injuries on the nation's roadways. The SS4A grant program offers Planning and Demonstration Grants for Safety Action Plans and supplemental safety planning and demonstration activities and Implementation Grants to implement projects identified in existing action plans.

On March 25, 2024, City Council passed a resolution adopting the New Braunfels Street Safety Action Plan. This plan outlined measures to reduce speeds, protect and expand multimodal spaces, inform and educate the public on the benefits of such infrastructure, and work towards more streamlined implementation of safety measures. The plan also details funding options for proposed projects, including the SS4A grant program.

City staff has evaluated programs and safety measures which will help meet the goals of the adopted plan and recommend submission of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Network Plan and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan to the SS4A Planning and Demonstration grant funding.

ISSUE:

Continue to develop programs and safety measures to help meet the goals of the adopted Street Safety Action Plan through the use of Federal grants.

STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:

☐ Economic Mobility ☒ Enhanced Connectivity ☒ Community Identity
☐ Organizational Excellence ☒ Community Well-Being ☐ N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

Projects selected for grant funding require a 20 percent local match.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of a resolution of support to submit projects to the SS4A grant program.