City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation Services, Finance

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DATE: June 17, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program Grant in an amount not to exceed \$11,968,000 and City's matching funds of \$2,992,000 for pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; and providing an effective date.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This action supports Key Focus Area: Enhance Infrastructure and Mobility.

BACKGROUND

On January 3, 2025, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) issued a call for projects for area communities to apply for funding through the 2025 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program. The Program funds the development of preliminary engineering (plans, specifications, estimates, and environmental documentation) and construction of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure. The TA Program provides up to 80 percent of total project costs with a 20 percent local match requirement.

Eligible project areas for the 2025 TA Program are those projects that are located inside the Adjusted Large Urbanized Areas exceeding 200,000 in population in the metropolitan planning area. And, Safe Routes to School Projects must be located within two miles of a K-8th grade school and within the school's attendance zone.

Transportation Services is applying for two locations that were not selected on the previous NCTCOG TA call for projects. Moving forward with the project application that will improve the safety, access, and connectivity of the active transportation network throughout the City for pedestrians and bicyclists, and improve the safety of students walking and bicycling to a primary school (grades K-8) and encourage more students to walk and bicycle to school.

Applications are due to TxDOT on June 20, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

FISCAL INFORMATION

If awarded, the City will be reimbursed by TxDOT an amount not to exceed \$11,968,000 in federal funding. A 20% local match of \$2,992,000 will be required of the City. The estimated total project cost is \$14,960,000. Transportation Services has included \$2,992,000 as part of the forecasted Capital Improvement Plan funding under Vision Zero Implementation (\$1,500,000) and ADA Improvement (\$1,492,000) projects for the required match in Fiscal Years 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 - Ordinance

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