



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Funds are available in Traffic Engineering's 2010 Adopted Operating budget. No additional appropriation is required.

Title

Authorizing the expenditure of \$5,000 from Traffic Engineering for Safe Routes to School grants to Madison Metropolitan School District schools.

Body

WHEREAS, the Common Council adopted the Mayor's Platinum Bicycling Committee's report *Making Madison the Best Place in the Country to Bicycle* in April 2008; and

WHEREAS, one of the high priority recommendations in that report is to Create a Safe Routes to School Plan for Madison; and

WHEREAS, city staff have been working with the Madison Metropolitan School District, the Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin, and other community groups to develop a Safe Routes to School Plan for Madison's schools; and

WHEREAS, city staff have worked with MMSD staff and elementary school principals to determine viable low cost pilot Safe Routes to School projects; and

WHEREAS, projects at four MMSD elementary schools have been selected for funding at \$1,250 each; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose in Traffic Engineering's budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that these funds in the amount of \$1,250 be allocated to each of the following schools for their Safe Routes to School pilot projects

- Kennedy Elementary School to identify safe biking routes to the school, create a safe biking curriculum, and to procure used bikes, helmets, locks, and a bike pump and tool kit to be used in the safe biking classes,
- Lake View Elementary School to jump start a walking school bus program using staff (Special Education Assistant) to provide the support for the walking school bus program,
- Leopold Elementary School to provide teaching and incentive program materials to get the initiative started along with some material purchases of helmets and locks,
- Marquette Elementary School for printed materials to promote a WOW (Walk/Wheel on Wednesdays) campaign, safety vests for adult volunteers who lead walking school buses, incentive prizes for walkers and bikers, and purchase a school-based bike pump/small tool kit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$5,000 from Traffic Engineering's budget be allocated to this one time grant program for 4 pilot Safe Routes to School projects.