

Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution expresses support for a grant application to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program. If awarded funding, a separate resolution will be submitted to accept and appropriate funds.

Title

The proposed resolution expresses support for the Engineering Division and Transportation Department grant application to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) 2023-2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The application seeks federal funding for two bicycle and pedestrian projects. A separate resolution accepting the grant award will be submitted at a later date should the City be awarded the grant funding from WisDOT.

Body

Supporting an application to WisDOT for Federal funding under the 2023-2026 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) (AD 16 & 9). This resolution provides the required support of the grant application under the WisDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) along with support of the projects noted in the application.

The City of Madison endeavors to provide its citizens with a robust, sustainable, multi-modal transportation system, including a major emphasis on bicycling and walking as viable and desirable modes of travel. The City has made major investments in bicycling and walking infrastructure and this priority is reflected in current budgets. Many of the City's important existing bike-related infrastructure projects were successfully completed with Federal transportation funding in partnership with WisDOT, and the City continues to seek Federal funding for planned major bicycle or pedestrian infrastructure projects.

This application includes the following proposed bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects that must be prioritized on the grant applications. The proposed priority is noted below, but this may change based on additional committee input, and staff will make the appropriate changes with the grant application documents.

1. Glacial Drumlin Connection Capital City Trail Segments 5 & 6 - These segments from Wagon Trail to just east of the Interstate include building a path under the Interstate using the existing railroad bridge underpass and are a critical link for connecting to Cottage Grove.

2. West Towne Path Segment - The west segment from Zor Shrine Place to High Point including the path connection to connect Zor Shrine Place.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. That the Engineering Division and Department of Transportation are authorized to submit an application for Federal funds under the 2023-2026 WisDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) with the appropriate prioritization of the projects.

2. That the Mayor and Common Council fully support the projects included in the TAP application