

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
MAY 21, 2019 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>A resolution expressing the willingness of the City of Little Rock to Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Public Works Department</p>	<p>Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
SYNOPSIS	<p>Authorizes the City Manager or his designated representative to apply for and if received, execute agreements with the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) for a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant for pedestrian and transit improvements at the intersection of University, Asher and Colonel Glenn Road and a Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Trails (RTP) Grant for trail enhancements at Boyle Park.</p>	
FISCAL IMPACT	<p>Funding for the TAP Project will be from an ArDOT Transportation Program Grant and a match from the Street Fund. The request will be for the maximum grant amount of \$500,000, with a maximum grant match amount of \$125,000. Funding in the amount of \$240,000 will be requested for the RTP Grant. The grant will require matching funds in the amount of 20% (\$60,000), \$40,000 will be from FY 2019 Trails Activity Accounting Unit No. 326459 TS45A21 and the rest of the match will be provided with in-kind labor.</p>	
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	

BACKGROUND

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to apply for and if received, sign grant award documents and contracts for a TAP Grant to improve the pedestrian and transit infrastructure located at the intersection of University, Asher and Colonel Glenn Road. This grant will build upon the funds previously allocated by the City of Little Rock, ArDOT and Metroplan towards the construction of the improvements.

The proposed RTP Grant is for Boyle Park Mountain Bike Trail Enhancements, which include a gateway trail, skills course, and the creation of an additional, smaller loop with new trail segments within the park. The project is located in Ward 6.

The Arkansas Department of Transportation requires that local governments pass a resolution for their Transportation Alternatives Program and Recreational Trails Program. The resolution, at a minimum, should express support of the project and that local match is required, articulate understanding that these funds are reimbursable Federal-Aid Funds, that maintenance of the project is required, that the project will remain accessible to the public for the life of the project, and if awarded, give authorization to the City Manager to enter into and execute appropriate agreements and contracts.