

## **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

September 14, 2023

To:

Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via:

Albert P. Childress (N)

City Manager

From:

Gary Volenec, P.E.

Interim Engineering Director

Subject:

Approving the United States Department of Transportation Grant Agreement under the Fiscal Year 2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program

Introduction

Approve the attached "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT PROGRAM", award number 693JJ32340014, with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for the City of Key West Citywide Comprehensive Safety Action Plan in the amount of \$400,000.00 Federal / \$100,000.00 City match (\$500,000.00 Total).

## **Background**

On January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the City Commission adopted a goal of "Vision Zero" with Resolution 20-009 to achieve zero collision-caused right-of-way fatalities and serious injuries by the year 2035. Tragically, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reporting, twenty-five (25) people were killed in crashes within the City of Key West within the years from 2016 through 2020, a fatality rate of 20.13 per 100,000 population.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary funding program that would assist with funding the creation of certain community safety action plans in support of "Vision Zero"-type programs over five years (2022-2026). Applicants with action plans can seek implementation grants for elements identified in the plan. The City of Key West applied for, and was awarded on February 1, 2023, \$400,000.00 in Federal funding for a City-wide Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. [https://www.transportation.gov/grants/ss4a/2022-awards] The action plan would seek to

identify and quantify potential improvements within the right of way that would enable the City to reach its Vision Zero goal through the use of FHWA proven safety countermeasures.

## **Procurement**

The City of Key West will receive up to a maximum reimbursement amount of \$400,000.00 of Federal funding to develop a City-wide Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. Grant revenue will be budgeted in account 1110000-3314900. Expenses will be budgeted in account 1114903-5493100.

Cost-sharing of 20% of the total project funding, up to \$100,000.00, is required from non-Federal sources and has been budgeted in account 1114903 5493100 SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL – GRANT MATCH.

## Recommendation

The City Manager's Office recommends the Mayor and City Commission approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the attached grant agreement with FHWA, upon consent of the City Attorney, and execute any budget transfers or amendments necessary.

Exhibits: 693JJ32340014 SS4A Grant Agreement Persons Killed FARS 2016-2020 + Key West Map Resolution 20-009