



***City Council Memorandum***

**To:** Mayor Fasbender & City Council Members  
**From:** Ryan Stempki – Public Works Director/City Engineer  
**Date:** September 18, 2023  
**Item:** Resolution Supporting and Authorizing Application to MnDOT for Transportation and Economic Development (TED) Funding for TH 61 Improvements

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

Council is requested to approve a resolution of support and authorize application to the MnDOT TED program. The improvements identified in the TED application include local streets/trails adjacent to TH 61. Specifically, they are improvements to 18<sup>th</sup> Street, the backage road system from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 25<sup>th</sup> Street, and the connecting trail and pedestrian bridge.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

TH 61 needs repair and through a public engagement process, additional improvements were identified to address safety, mobility, vehicle speeds, traffic flow, community enhancements and bicycle/pedestrian safety. The specific areas for this request of TED funding include 18<sup>th</sup> Street for a new street alignment, signal and trail network that removes driveway access for trucking of heavy industry at this intersection that produces the highest trip generation of trucks along the corridor. Also included in this request is the backage road system from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 25<sup>th</sup> Street to remove/reduce access of local roads and driveways by providing a local road system to accommodate industry and commercial access, consolidated access and trail system to safely connect bike and pedestrian traffic to the area.

This grant can only be used on trunk highway eligible projects. For constructability purposes, the schedule would be to complete the improvements to the local road system that are off the direct trunk highway one year in advance (2026) of the major TH 61 Improvements (2027).

**FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

The estimated total project costs for the 18<sup>th</sup> Street, trail and ped bridge across Vermillion River, and 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 25<sup>th</sup> Street backage road system is \$3,900,000. There is a maximum award of 70% of the total project cost. Therefore, the remaining \$1,170,000 would be the responsibility of the City to fund. Our plan to fund the cost share is to submit for Local Road Improvement Funds (LRIP), also administered by MnDOT.

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DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (TED) APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hastings acts as the legal sponsor for the Trunk Highway 61 and 18<sup>th</sup> Street, 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 25<sup>th</sup> Street backage road system, and connecting trail and pedestrian bridge improvements and requests funding from the Transportation Economic Development (TED) Program of the Minnesota Department of Transportation, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hastings has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure matching funds and adequate construction of the proposed projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hastings has not violated any Federal, State or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice, and

**WHEREAS**, that upon approval of its application by the State, the City of Hastings may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project, and that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in all contract agreements.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HASTINGS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The City of Hastings has committed \$1,170,000 towards the local match requirement.
2. The City of Hastings confirms if the project cost increases above the amount listed in the Application, the City of Hastings will provide or secure all additional funds necessary to complete the project.
3. The City of Hastings certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and rules of the Application.
4. That the sources and uses, private investors, equity, and other financing commitment represented in the attached document are accurate.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF HASTINGS, MINNESOTA, THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023.**

Ayes:

Nays:

ATTEST:

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*Kelly Murtaugh, City Clerk*

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*Mary D. Fasbender, Mayor*

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