RESOLUTION NO. 29-24

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A GRANT APPLICATION FOR MULTIMODAL PROJECT DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDING FOR 26 ½ ROAD MULTIMODAL BRIDGE OVER I-70

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado that:

The City of Grand Junction by, with and through this Resolution supports the 26 ½ Road Multi-modal bridge over I-70 project.

The Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), commonly referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill was signed into law on November 15, 2021. As part of the legislation, Department of Transportation (DOT) made funds available to invest in projects of national or regional significance. Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) applicants will be considered across three programs unless they opt out of a specific program. The FY 2025 and 2026 round will focus on supporting projects that improve safety, economic strength, equity, and climate and sustainability consistent with the DOT's strategic goals.

The MPDG provides funding for projects such as on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities and in accordance with the grant purposes, the City Public Works Department proposes funds be granted to support a new multimodal bridge to be constructed just east of the existing 26 ½ Road bridge at I-70 ("Project").

City staff is seeking \$2.0 million from the U.S. DOT's Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant fund for a \$4.0 million project representing a 50% match. Completion of the Project is planned for 2026.

The City Council authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations, including established deadlines, of any grant award. If a grant is awarded, the City Council authorizes the City Manager to sign the grant agreement for the Project.

The City staff has recommended that the City Council support the grant application and if awarded that the grant be utilized for the 26 ½ Road at I-70 Multi-modal bridge Project.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 1st day of May 2024.

ATTEST Phillips

Amy Phillips City Clerk

Abram Herman President of the City Council

