

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

Resolution No. 42-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (ATIIP) GRANT FUNDS FOR THE DOWNTOWN TO DOS RIOS BIKE-PED BRIDGE PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO THAT:

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction by, with and through this Resolution authorizes and supports an application for grant funding to the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) for the Dos Rios to Downtown Bike-Ped Bridge. With the development of Dos Rios, the redevelopment of 2nd Street and the historic depot area, the creation of the mobility hub, this signature bridge will provide a safe pathway for bikes and pedestrians between Downtown and the Riverfront at Dos Rios development.

ATIIP is a new competitive grant program created by Section 11529 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) to design and construct projects to provide safe and connected active transportation facilities in active transportation networks or active transportation spines.

ATIIP projects will help improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of active transportation networks and communities; improve connectivity between active transportation modes and public transportation; enhance the resiliency of on- and off-road active transportation infrastructure; help protect the environment; and improve quality of life in disadvantaged communities through the delivery of connected active transportation networks and expanded mobility opportunities.

USDOT has \$44.5 million in the FY 2025 ATIIP. At least \$3 million of available ATIIP funding is set aside for Planning and Design grants. A 20% non-federal match is required.

A call for projects has been issued and applications are due June 17, 2024.

In accordance with the grant purposes, the City Engineering and Transportation Department proposes to plan, design, and permit a 900-foot pedestrian bridge across the Union Pacific Railroad's West Yard connecting South Avenue to the Riverside Parkway near the Riverfront at Dos Rios development. Elevators and stairs are proposed on both the west end in Dos Rios as well as the east end near the historic depot and future mobility hub.

Planning, design and permitting is estimated at \$250,000 and would be completed by 2026.

City staff is seeking ATIP funding in the amount of \$200,000 representing 80% of the total project in accordance with grant requirements. The City Council of the City of Grand Junction authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations, including established deadlines, of any Grant awarded.

If the grant is awarded, the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign the grant agreement with the Colorado Department of Transportation, representing USDOT, for the project.

The City staff has recommended that the City Council support the grant application and if awarded that the grant be utilized.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 5th day of June 2024.



Abram Herman
President of the City Council



ATTEST:



Selestina Sandoval
City Clerk