## Acceptance of City of Alexandria Priorities for Community Project Funding

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria is committed to addressing inequalities and needs that impact residents, businesses, workers, and visitors throughout our community, and;

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria invests significant City resources in addressing these inequalities and needs, including in the specific areas of housing security, climate resiliency, public health and safety, and transportation innovation, and;

WHEREAS the United States Congress and the Executive Branch have identified numerous avenues for additional, significant, direct investment in communities as opportunities to create jobs, invest in both people and infrastructure, and work to address the ongoing needs of families, businesses, neighborhoods and communities across our country, and;

WHEREAS these funding opportunities included Community Project Funding in appropriations bills in Fiscal Year 2024, and;

WHEREAS this funding source presented a significant opportunity for the City to propose and request support from our Congressional delegation for critical projects in specific funding areas to benefit our residents, businesses, workers, and visitors, and;

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria identified four projects appropriate for funding through the Community Project Funding process, including:

- On-Route electric transit bus chargers,
- Restoration of affordable housing at the 1022 Pendleton Street Boarding House,
- Pilot crime and violence intervention and prevention programs, and
- Establishment of a "Smart Mobility Lab" in partnership with Virginia Tech, which would be a sub-recipient of this funding.

WHEREAS these projects are clear priorities for the City and address significant inequalities and recognized needs in the City of Alexandria in the areas of housing security, climate resiliency, public health and safety, and transportation innovation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Alexandria supports these local priorities and approves of the City's acceptance of funds resulting from these federal funding opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Manager is authorized to execute the necessary documents that may be required to accept and implement funds from these federal funding opportunities.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Alexandria Congressional delegation – the Honorable Mark R. Warner, the Honorable Timothy M. Kaine, and the Honorable Donald S. Beyer, Jr.