

RESOLUTION NO. ____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CITY FUNDS ALLOCATION FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES FOR T-INTERSECTIONS ACROSS THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth Transportation Board reviews and approves grant applications for the Virginia Department of Transportation’s (VDOT) Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Commonwealth Transportation Board’s construction allocation procedures, it is necessary that a resolution be received from the sponsoring local jurisdiction or agency requesting VDOT to establish funding for a project in the SYIP for the City of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria, Virginia intends to submit an application to The Commonwealth Transportation Board for VDOT to establish a Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program project for systematic pedestrian safety measures to improve the safety and efficiency at signalized T-intersections and help reduce serious injuries and fatal crashes; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Alexandria Mobility Plan in 2021, which aims to improve mobility, access, safety, and convenience for people walking and biking and calls for building out a continuous, connected, and accessible pedestrian network that enables people of all ages and abilities to move safely and comfortably; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Vision Zero Action Plan in 2017, which includes goals to build safer streets for everyone by reducing fatal and severe crashes; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council desires an application totaling up to \$2,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of the Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Alexandria requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a \$2,000,000 Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program project for safety improvements at T-intersections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the City of Alexandria subsequently elects to cancel the project, the City of Alexandria hereby agrees to reimburse VDOT for the total amount of costs expended by VDOT through the date VDOT is notified of such cancellation. The City of Alexandria also agrees to repay any funds previously reimbursed that are later deemed ineligible by the Federal Highway Administration or VDOT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Alexandria hereby agrees to enter into a project administration agreement with VDOT and provide the necessary oversight to ensure the project is developed in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local requirements for design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Alexandria will be responsible for maintenance and operating costs of the facility as constructed unless other arrangements have been made with VDOT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Alexandria City Council hereby grants authority for the City Manager to apply for funds and execute project administration agreements, as well as other documents necessary for approved projects.

Adopted:

JUSTIN WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria Sitton, City Clerk,