

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AN APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM FOR FY 2023 TO FY 2024

WHEREAS, the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program is administered at the State level by the Virginia Department of Transportation and is funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set-Aside Program is intended to fund infrastructure projects that improve mobility and safety for people walking and/or biking; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Pedestrian and Bicycle Chapter of the Transportation Master Plan in 2016, which aims to improve mobility, access, safety, and convenience for people walking and biking; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council adopted the Vision Zero Action Plan in 2017, which includes goals to build safer streets for everyone and accelerate safety improvements as part of the City’s Safe Routes to School Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has identified recommended infrastructure projects to improve safety near the City’s elementary and K-8 schools through the City’s Safe Routes to School Program; and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council desires to submit an application for an allocation of funds of up to \$2,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2023 to 2024 of the TA Set-Aside Program; and

WHEREAS, up to \$2,000,000 of these funds will be requested to fund the design and construction of curb extensions, pedestrian refuge areas, and crosswalk improvements that were identified in Safe Routes to School (SRTS) walk audits at the intersections of Rayburn Avenue & Winston Court, North Jordan Street & Taney Avenue, West Reed Avenue & Edison Street, Commonwealth Avenue & Oak Street, and North West Street & Princess Street, near five of the City’s elementary and K-8 schools; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set-Aside Program requires a 20% local match (up to \$400,000), which would be funded through the City’s Capital Improvement Program and FY 2023 Complete Streets program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alexandria City Council hereby supports this application for an allocation of up to \$2,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2023 to 2024 through the Virginia Department of Transportation’s Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Alexandria City Council hereby grants

authority to the City Manager to apply for these grant funds and execute all necessary documents that may be required under this grant and program.

Adopted: _____

JUSTIN WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria Sitton, City Clerk