



To: Mayor & City Council

From: Michael Kovacs, City Manager

Date: May 20, 2019

Agenda Item & Caption: Discuss and consider Resolution No. R-xxx- Authorizing a Grant Application to Safe Ride To School (SRTS) Program.

Action Requested: Approval of Resolution No. R-xxx

Overview and Background:

City Staff has applied for the Safe Ride To School (SRTS) Grant Program. If awarded, it will provide approximately \$465,900 worth of sidewalk improvements around the new park adjacent to Harry Herndon Intermediate School. TxDOT anticipates awarding approximately \$46 million worth of federal funds. From around the State, a total of 398 preliminary applications from 236 unique entities was submitted.

The next step in the process is to meet with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in order to prepare a detailed application. Part of the application process includes committing to develop the project with a resolution from the City Council.

The SRTS program is intended to be comprehensive, utilizing infrastructure enhancements to improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility and safety, as well as non-infrastructure approaches including bicycle and pedestrian safety education, awareness of the opportunities to safely bike and walk to school, and by addressing safety concerns through law enforcement activities. The Program is divided into five elements, which include both infrastructure and non-infrastructure components: Engineering, Education, Enforcement, Encouragement and Evaluation.

Financial Considerations:

Safe Routes to School is a 100 percent federally funded cost-reimbursement program managed through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Traffic Operations Division (TRF). Projects are funded through a statewide competitive process with funds limited to those authorized in the SRTS program.

Supporting Documents:

- Resolution NO. O-xxx
- Map of proposed sidewalk

RESOLUTION NO. R-2019-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S SAFE RIDE TO SCHOOL PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR SUBMISSION, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The Safe Ride To School program is intended to be a comprehensive enhancement program to improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fate believes it is in the best interest of the citizens of Fate that the City increase the ability to walk and ride bikes to school safely.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas, hereby authorizes the submittal of a grant application to Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Safe Ride To School Program and authorizes the City Manager to execute the grant application for submission.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage by the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas, this 20th day of May, 2019.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Joe Burger, Mayor

Victoria Raduechel, TRMC
City Secretary

