

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>2022 Alumni Georgia Smart Communities Challenge Grant</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to submit an application and if awarded, accept the 2022 Alumni Georgia SMART Communities Challenge Grant up to the amount of \$100,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a 100% local match requirement of which 50% will be fulfilled as in-kind services from local partners and the Columbus Consolidated Government and 50% will be a cash match coming from the Information Technology budget and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the award.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>Information Technology</b>

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to submit an application and if awarded, accept the 2022 Alumni Georgia SMART Communities Challenge Grant up to the amount of \$100,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a 100% local match requirement of which 50% will be fulfilled as in-kind services from local partners and the Columbus Consolidated Government and 50% will be a cash match coming from the Information Technology budget and to amend the multi-governmental fund by the amount of the award.

**Background:** Developed by the Georgia Institute of Technology, in partnership with the Institute for People and Technology, the Georgia Smart Communities Challenge allows communities to plan for their "SMART" future. Working to aid in the innovation of Georgia communities, the SMART Communities Initiative provides an opportunity to work with research professionals and advisors throughout the planning process.

**Analysis:** If awarded the Grant, the Columbus Consolidated Government will receive funding for the planning of IoT devices relating to river safety. Additionally, the Georgia Institute of Technology will provide research staff to conduct onsite development and initial research plans

**Financial Considerations:** The Grant amount of up to \$100,000, or as otherwise awarded, has a 100% local match requirement which will be fulfilled as 50% in-kind services and 50% as cash.

**Legal Considerations:** Any Grant concerns will be vetted by the CCG City Attorney's Office

**Recommendations/Actions:** Approval is requested to submit an application and if awarded, accept the 2022 Alumni Georgia Smart Communities Challenge Grant up to the amount of \$100,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a 100% local match requirement of which 50% will be fulfilled as in-kind services from local partners and the Columbus Consolidated Government and 50% will be a cash match coming from the Information Technology budget.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO.**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR, AND IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A 2022 ALUMNI GEORGIA SMART COMMUNITIES CHALLENGE GRANT UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, WITH 100% LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT OF WHICH 50% WILL BE FULFILLED AS IN-KIND SERVICES FROM LOCAL PARTNERS AND THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT AND 50% WILL BE A CASH MATCH COMING FROM THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET AND TO AMEND THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.**

**WHEREAS**, Communities are made up of government and non-government groups that want to work together towards a common, smart-community future; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Consolidated Government is eligible to receive up to \$100,000 in funding with a 100% local match requirement of which 50% will be fulfilled as in-kind services from local partners and the Columbus Consolidated Government and 50% will be a cash match coming from the Information Technology budget; and,

**WHEREAS**, the grant requires that the governing body be notified of the application; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES;**

That the Mayor, City Manager, or Designee is hereby authorized to submit an application and if awarded, accept the 2022 Alumni Georgia Smart Communities Challenge Grant up to \$100,000, or as otherwise awarded, with a 100% local match requirement of which 50% will be fulfilled as in-kind services from local partners and the Columbus Consolidated Government and 50% will be a cash match coming from the Information Technology budget and to amend the multigovernmental fund by the amount of the award.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor House voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Barnes voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Davis voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Crabb voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Huff voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Garrett voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Tucker voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Thomas voting \_\_\_\_\_.  
Councilor Woodson voting \_\_\_\_\_.

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor