

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Formula Grant Request</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the amount up to \$236,000, or as otherwise awarded, and amend the Transportation Fund by the amount of the grant award.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>Department of Transportation/METRA</b>

**Recommendations:** Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the amount up to \$236,000.

**Background:** The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program is a formula grant program administered by the Department of Energy. The Columbus Consolidated Government has been allocated \$236,000 as part of the bipartisan infrastructure bill passed by Congress and signed into law by the President in 2021. The Department of Transportation/METRA is requesting to apply for these funds to be used for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure throughout our community. No local match is required.

**Analysis:** By approving this request, METRA will be able to apply for this grant and if awarded, use funds for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure throughout our community, including charging stations.

**Financial Considerations:** The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program requires no local match.

**Legal Considerations:** The Columbus Consolidated Government has been allocated \$236,000 through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program. The Columbus Consolidated Government is eligible to apply for these funds.

**Recommendation/Action:** Approval is requested to submit a grant application and if awarded, accept funds from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the amount up to \$236,000.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT (EECBG) PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$236,000.00 OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, AND IF AWARDED, AMEND THE TRANSPORTATION FUND BY THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT AWARD. THERE IS NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, funds in the amount up to \$236,00 have been allocated from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program to the Columbus Consolidated Government; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Transportation/METRA shall apply for these funds for the installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure throughout our community, including charging stations; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program requires no local match.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to submit an application to the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) program in an amount up to \$236,000.00 and if awarded, amended the Transportation Fund by the amount of the grant award.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.