

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	GDOT Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council Grant Program
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to authority the Gateways Foundation to apply for funds to continue beautification efforts on I-185 and J. R. Allen.
INITIATED BY:	City Manager's Office

Recommendation: Approval is requested to authorize the Gateways Foundation to apply for funds from the GDOT Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council Grant Program to continue beautification efforts on I-185 and J. R. Allen.

Background: The City has partnered with the Gateways Foundation for years to beautify the gateways leading into Columbus.

Analysis: The City currently has Mowing and Maintenance Agreements in place to maintain the state right of way where beautification has been completed by the Gateways Foundation.

Financial Considerations: There is no cost to the city.

Legal Considerations: The City Attorney's will review all documents prior to signature by the Mayor or City Manager.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to authorize the Gateways Foundation to apply for funds from the GDOT Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council Grant Program to continue beautification efforts on I-185 and J. R. Allen.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GATEWAYS FOUNDATION TO APPLY FOR GDOT ROADSIDE ENHANCEMENT AND BEAUTIFICATION COUNCIL GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, many roadside areas within Department of Transportation rights of way must be maintained and attractively landscaped; and

WHEREAS, the Gateways Foundation in partnership with the City of Columbus desires to beautify and improve various rights of way by landscaping within the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus desires to authorize the Gateways Foundation to apply for an REBC Grant from the Georgia Department of Transportation, and if awarded, to enter into a Mowing and Maintenance Agreement between the City of Columbus and the Georgia Department of Transportation.

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

Section 1. The Council of Columbus, Georgia hereby authorizes the Gateway Foundation to apply for an REBC Grant. Upon award of the grant, the Columbus Consolidated Government shall enter into a Mowing and Maintenance Agreement between the Columbus Consolidated Government and the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Section 2. The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send copies of this Resolution to the Department of Transportation and all other persons as directed by the City Manager.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor