DOUGLAS, AZ COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

**MANAGEMENT TEAM** 

SUBMITTED BY: Daritza Villalobos, Grants Coordinator

**REVIEW:** Treasurer

FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS:

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 23-1576, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of

the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, AUTHORIZING the ACCEPTANCE of a \$46,800 GRANT from the TOHONO O'ODHAM

Ana Urquijo, City Manager/Luis Pedroza, Deputy City Manager/City

Meeting Date: 12/13/2023

NATION FOR THE BRYAN'S WAY PROJECT.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The City of Douglas applied to the Tohono O'odham Nation for the 12% Gaming Distribution Fund to fund the Bryan's Way Project. In this application the project was defined as the pedestrian safety measures at the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and F Avenue. The safety measures include work on the curb to meet ADA standards, high visibility crosswalks, and signage.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City of Douglas is committed to the safety of all users of the roadways. Pedestrians are included in this category and children make up most of the pedestrian's traffic at specific times during the day. On February 10, 2022, tragedy shook the community with the passing of Bryan Chacon. Bryan lost his life when his bike collided with a moving vehicle at the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and F Avenue. This accident spurred much needed discussions on pedestrian safety and how the city can improve its safety measures, especially as they relate to the transportation needs of children.

The Tohono O'odham Nation 12% Gaming Distribution Fund provides funding to local governments and nonprofits for projects that relate to their focus area. The Bryan's Way project aligned with their focus of public safety and was chosen to receive funding. This grant will allow the City of Douglas to incorporate safety measures at the intersection where the accident occurred, 4<sup>th</sup> Street and F Avenue. These improvements will be part of a larger effort to increase pedestrian safety awareness, especially for children.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Staff recommends approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

Fiscal Year: 2023/2024 Amount Requested: Budgeted: Y / N

## Account (s):

<sup>&</sup>quot;...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 23-1576."