

## Staff Report

**Subject:** DOT Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) grant funding program grant agreement

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**Department:** Finance

**Meeting Date:** 8/15/23

**Item Description:** Consideration to approve the DOT SS4A grant award program grant agreement

### **Summary Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the grant agreement from the DOT SS4A grant program.

### **Executive Summary:**

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established the new SS4A discretionary program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over the next 5 years.

The SS4A grant program aligns with both Departmental and Biden-Harris Administration activities and priorities. The National Roadway Safety Strategy (NRSS, issued January 27, 2022) commits the Department to respond to the current crisis in roadway fatalities by “taking substantial, comprehensive action to significantly reduce serious and fatal injuries on the Nation’s roadways,” in pursuit of the goal of achieving zero roadway deaths. DOT recognizes that zero is the only acceptable number of deaths on our roads, and achieving that is our long-term safety goal. The outcomes that are anticipated from the SS4A program also support the FY 2022-2026 DOT Strategic Plan and the accompanying safety performance goals such as a medium-term goal of a two-thirds reduction in roadway fatalities by 2040.

### **Background:**

1. The Board accepted this award of \$200,000 on 3/7/23.
2. There is a 30% cost share requirement of \$60,000.
3. The funds will be used to help support roadway improvements in order to reduce death and serious roadway injuries.

### **Alternatives for Commission to Consider:**

1. Approve to accept the grant agreement from DOT SS4A.
2. Do not approve to accept the grant agreement from DOT SS4A.
3. Provide Staff with Direction

**Recommended Alternative:**

Staff recommends Alternative number 1 – Approve to accept the grant agreement from DOT SS4A.

**Other Alternatives:**

N/A

**Department Review:** *(list departments)*

Finance

**Funding Source:**

**Attachments:**

SS4A Grant Agreement