

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



STAFF

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SUBJECT

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 046, 2025, Making a Supplemental Appropriation of Multimodal Transportation and Mitigations Options Fund Grant Revenue for the Foothills Transit Station Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on March 18, 2025, appropriates unanticipated grant revenue awarded to Transfort by the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO). Transfort secured \$317,669 in discretionary state grant funding to construct the Foothills Transit Station and Roundabout, including design, electrical, right-of-way (ROW) acquisition costs, and related expenses, at the intersection of Overland Trail and West Elizabeth Street adjacent to Colorado State University's (CSU) Foothills Campus. The Foothills Transit Station will serve as the western terminus for multiple local and regional routes as well as the future West Elizabeth Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

FIRST READING BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

On October 4, 2024, the NFRMPO announced approximately \$4.5 million in funding through the Multimodal Transportation and Mitigations Options Fund (MMOF), a funding source initially established with Senate Bill (SB) 18-001 and amended with SB 21-260. Transfort was awarded \$317,669 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 and 2026 MMOF grant funding to be used as match for the Foothills Transit Station project. These funds are administered through the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT).

The MMOF funding will be used to construct the Foothills Transit Station and Roundabout at the intersection of Overland Trail and West Elizabeth Street adjacent to Colorado State University's (CSU) Foothills Campus, including design, electrical, and ROW acquisition costs and related expenses. This station will serve as the western terminus for multiple local and regional routes as well as the future West Elizabeth BRT line. In addition to the funding listed in the Financial Impacts section below, CSU will be donating the land where the station will be constructed in the form of a land-lease to be used as additional local match, currently valued at approximately \$750,000. Transfort will be utilizing the MMOF award as additional local match to leverage against its FY23 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) federal grant award, which was previously appropriated as part of the 2025-2026

Budgeting for Outcomes (BFO) Process (Offer #: 65.18). A total of \$12,921,555 was awarded by the Department of Transportation (DOT) in FY23 RAISE funds, with \$2,207,985 required in local match.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

This Ordinance will appropriate \$317,669 in unanticipated state grant revenue to be used as local match for the City’s FY23 RAISE grant award, which was previously appropriated as part of the 2025-2026 BFO Process. The following is a summary of the funding anticipated for the Foothills Transit Station project (value of CSU land match is not represented as the value is not yet confirmed):

Prior Appropriated Funds	
FY23 RAISE Grant Funds	\$10,713,570
FY24 CDOT Capital Faster Funds	\$200,000
FY25 CDOT Capital Faster Funds	\$200,000
2050 Transit Tax Funds	\$1,041,000
TOTAL PRIOR APPROPRIATION	\$12,154,570
Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	
FY25/FY26 MMOF Funds	\$317,669
Total Funds to be Appropriated per this Action	\$317,669
Total Proposed Project Funds	\$12,472,239

**Total Proposed Project Funds indicates the total amount of funding that will be available to the project if this appropriation is approved.*

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

None.

ATTACHMENTS

First Reading attachments not included.

1. Ordinance for Consideration