

ORDINANCE NO. 064, 2023  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
APPROPRIATING UNANTICIPATED GRANT REVENUE FROM THE  
COLORADO ENERGY OFFICE'S COMMUNITY ACCESS TO ELECTRIC BICYCLES  
GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CHOOSE YOUR RIDE, SHIFT YOUR RIDE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, FC Moves is a department within the City's Planning, Development, and Transportation division that exists to advance mobility solutions to increase walking, bicycling, transit use, shared modes, and environmentally sustainable modes; and

WHEREAS, advancing clean and affordable transportation options like e-scooters and e-bikes is an important element in achieving FC Moves' mission; and

WHEREAS, the FC Moves Choose Your Ride, Shift Your Ride project (the "Project") supports electric micromobility, including shared micromobility, for the most impoverished and marginalized of the Fort Collins population; and

WHEREAS, the Project, operated in collaboration with Colorado State University, seeks to support electric micromobility and shared micromobility options by providing e-bikes or SPIN e-bike/e-scooter share passes to individuals with low incomes in Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins applied for and was awarded \$148,350 from the Colorado Energy Office ("CEO") and its Community Access to Electric Bicycles Grant Program for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the CEO grant is a reimbursement type grant, meaning Transportation Fund expenses will be reimbursed up to \$148,350; and

WHEREAS, the CEO grant requires a local match of \$14,980, which already has been appropriated in the 2023 Transportation Fund in the FC Moves operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the CEO grant funds will enable the Project to subsidize micromobility and educational programming for up to forty participants who meet selection criteria that prioritizes the lowest income individuals and transportation needs that can be addressed by the Project; and

WHEREAS, the CEO grant funds will be used to provide selected participants with either e-bike ownership or free access to SPIN e-bikes and e-scooters for a one-year period; and

WHEREAS, Project funding also will be used to develop and provide supportive and educational programing to the participants; and

WHEREAS, subsidizing sustainable transportation options and providing hands-on education are proven strategies to encourage people to try and utilize other modes of transportation besides driving automobiles alone; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purposes of promoting environmentally sustainable mobility solutions and serving lower income members of our community; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriations, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the Transportation Services Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the Transportation Services Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received in that fund during any fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to designate in the ordinance when appropriating funds for a federal, state or private grant, that such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year in which the appropriation is made, but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the federal, state or private grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to designate the appropriation herein from the Colorado Community Revitalization Grant Program as an appropriation that shall not lapse until the earlier of the expiration of the grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from new revenue or other funds in the Transportation Services Fund the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$148,350) to be expended in the Transportation Services Fund for the Choose Your Ride, Shift Your Ride Program.

Section 3. That the appropriation herein from the Colorado Energy Office's Community Access to Electric Bicycle Grant Program is hereby designated, as authorized in Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter, as an appropriation that shall not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant.

Section 4. That the City Council has reviewed the Colorado Energy Office's Community Access to Electric Bicycle Grant Program and approves of such funding and further authorizes City staff to take appropriate action necessary to be able to expend the grant funds as contemplated by the Grant Program.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 18th day of April, 2023, and to be presented for final passage on the 2nd day of May, 2023.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 2nd day of May, 2023.

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