



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE  
RESOLUTION**

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**MEETING DATE:** 02/18/2025

**PRESENTER:** Lisa Norris, Managing Director

**TITLE:** Resolution ratifying and approving the City's application to the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) for Connecting Communities FY2025 RAISE Grant Program funding for the Joe Pool Lake Pedestrian Bridge Project in the amount of \$19,623,000.00; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant, if awarded

**REVIEWING COMMITTEE:** (Reviewed by the City Council Development Committee on 02/18/2025)

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**SUMMARY:**

The City Manager's Office is seeking ratification of our application to the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) for Connecting Communities FY2025 RAISE Grant Program funding for the City's Joe Pool Lake Pedestrian Bridge Project in the amount of \$19,623,000.00. This grant requires a 20% match which is \$3,924,600.00 and would be funded in our CIP for FY2026, should the grant be awarded.

This project creates safe pathways for pedestrian bicycling and walking to connect our community and provide improved, safe access for our citizens. The safety of our residents, adults and children, is a top priority to provide a safe pathway across Joe Pool Lake, thereby providing access to beautiful parks, amenities, and bordering communities. This connectivity is key for our residents and contributes to our growing economy and the vibrance of our lives.

The grant application deadline was January 30, 2025. All funds received from this grant must be obligated by September 30, 2029, and expended by September 30, 2034.

**BODY**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) FOR CONNECTING COMMUNITIES FY2025 RAISE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING FOR THE JOE POOL LAKE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,623,000.00; AUTHORIZING MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,924,600.00 FROM THE CITY'S FY2026 CIP FUND TO BE USED FOR SAID PROJECT, IF AWARDED; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO ACCEPT,**

**REJECT, ALTER, OR TERMINATE THE GRANT, IF AWARDED; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) is offering grant funding to local governments for eligible transportation projects through its Connecting Communities FY 2025 RAISE Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about January 30, 2025, the City submitted an application to the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) for grant funding from the Connecting Communities FY2025 RAISE Grant Program for the City's Joe Pool Lake Pedestrian Bridge Project (the "Project") in the amount of \$19,623,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, a City match of 20%, equal to \$3,924,600.00 would be required for this Project since it is not in an underserved location of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Grand Prairie wishes to ratify its application for funding from the Connecting Communities FY2025 RAISE Grant Program for the Project, to authorize matching funds in the amount of \$3,924,600.00 from the City's FY2026 CIP Fund for said Project; and to authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant, if awarded.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager's, or his designee's, application to the United States Department of Transportation for Connecting Communities 2025 RAISE Grant Program funding for the City's Joe Pool Lake Pedestrian Bridge Project in the amount of \$19,623,000.00 is hereby ratified and approved.

**SECTION 2.** Matching funds in the amount of \$3,924,600.00 from the City's FY2026 CIP Fund are hereby authorized for said Project, if said grant is awarded.

**SECTION 3.** The City Manager, or his designee, is further authorized to accept, reject, alter or terminate said grant, if awarded.

**SECTION 4.** In the event of loss or misuse of the United States Department of Transportation Connecting Communities FY 2025 RAISE Grant funds, the City of Grand Prairie assures that the funds will be returned to the Department of Transportation RAISE Grant Program in full.

**SECTION 5.** This resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and approval in accordance with the Charter of the City of Grand Prairie and it is accordingly, so resolved.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2025.**