



CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 1, 2023
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Frank Schulte, City Administrator FS
Subject: Safe Routes School Grant

In April 2022, administration met with council and the planning commission to highlight the Mack and Vernier intersection improvements. At that time, it was consensus of both entities to move forward with this project. In addition, administration met with the Grosse Pointe Schools systems to show the plans for Mack and Vernier intersection improvements. Grosse Pointe Woods was provided a letter of support for this project from the Grosse Pointe School System.

The city has received an MDOT Federal safety grant for \$720,000. Additionally, the city is currently awaiting on approval for ARPA funds from Wayne County, for a total of \$660,000.

On January 25, 2023, the city met with the Grosse Pointe Schools and the Grant Administrator for the State of Michigan Safe Routes to Schools Program. It is the intent of the schools to submit a grant application for the next available date, of February 22, 2023. Since the work takes place in City right of way, the State requires the City to be the responsible agency for the proposed improvements. If successful, there is as potential of \$600,000 available in grant funding (\$300,000 per school for both Mason and Parcels) with no required match. In order to conform to State requirements, a resolution from the City must accompany the application.

It is administration recommendation to have council approve the resolution and request the Grosse Pointe School System to apply for the Safe Routes School Grant for the Mack and Vernier intersection improvements.