

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR USDOT SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL GRANT FUNDING TO CONSTRUCT THE SAFE STREETS FOR HENDERSONVILLE: 7TH AVENUE SAFETY IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hendersonville considers safe vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian transportation infrastructure to be of utmost importance to the region by providing Western North Carolina with modern transportation opportunities as well as increased economic viability and community development; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation has established the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program to support initiatives that prevent fatalities and serious injuries on roads and streets for all roadway users; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to submit an SS4A Implementation Grant application for the Safe Streets for Hendersonville: 7th Avenue Safety Implementation Project; and

WHEREAS, the 7th Avenue project will improve safety and accessibility along approximately 0.41 miles of 7th Avenue with improved sidewalks, street trees, pedestrian lighting, stormwater infrastructure, curb bump outs, pedestrian amenities, site furnishings, ADA-compliant upgrades, and related safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, the project will address existing crash history, fill multimodal network gaps, improve access for users of all ages and abilities, and create a safer connection between historic neighborhoods, the 7th Avenue Historic District, Downtown Hendersonville, and nearby trails and greenways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina that:

1. The City of Hendersonville shall submit an application to USDOT for a Safe Streets and Roads for All Implementation Grant to fund the design and construction of the Safe Streets for Hendersonville: 7th Avenue Safety Implementation Project in Henderson County; and
2. The Mayor and/or City Manager shall hereby be authorized on behalf of the City of Hendersonville to execute any and all documents required for the City to complete and submit the grant application for up to \$10,000,000.00 in funding with commitment of \$2,000,000.00 in matching funds from the City.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina on this 13th day of May 2026.

Attest:

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor, City of Hendersonville

Jill Murray, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Angela S. Beeker, City Attorney