## **RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-046**

## **RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A RAISE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE HIGHWAY 19/COLLEGE DRIVE MARSHALL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity "RAISE" Transportation Grants Program provides dedicated, discretionary funding for transportation infrastructure projects of local or regional significance; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation is soliciting applications for \$1.5 billion for the FY 2022 RAISE Transportation Grants Program as appropriated through the FY 2022 Appropriations Act for National Infrastructure Investments; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2022 Appropriations Act directs funds provided for RAISE Transportation Grants be divided not more than 50 percent for rural areas and 50 percent for urbanized areas and requires measures to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of grant funds and an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural areas; and

WHEREAS, eligible projects for RAISE Transportation Grants include surface transportation capital projects including highway, bridge, or other road projects as well as public transportation projects, passenger and freight rail transportation projects, port infrastructure investments, and intermodal projects; and

WHEREAS, the maximum award for this round of RAISE Transportation Grants is \$25 million; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking funds to reconstruct Highway 19 or College Drive through the City of Marshall and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements will bring the corridor back to a state of good repair, make it easier for freight to navigate the corridor, make it easier for people to walk and bike along and across the corridor, make it safer for all roadway users and will help mitigate flood events; and

WHEREAS, the project supports the safety of Marshall residents and traveling public, livability, economic strength and global competitiveness of Marshall businesses and residents and climate resilience along the corridor and improved access to jobs, services, medical care, and daily needs by reducing transportation-related disparities, adverse community impacts and health effects; and

WHEREAS, the project aligns with the City of Marshall's Capital Improvement Plan and Safe Routes to School Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marshall will provide funding toward the local match for its portion of the project and MnDOT will provide funding toward the local match for the trunk highway portion of the project to contribute to the overall local match and project funding as identified in the RAISE grant application, which includes the use of funding programmed for maintenance, secured funding through other grant programs, and additional program funding as applicable; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marshall City Council supports and approves the application towards FY 2022 RAISE Transportation Grant for the Highway 19/College Drive reconstruction project.

Passed and adopted by the Council this <u>22<sup>nd</sup></u> day of <u>March</u>, 20<u>22</u>.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk