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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CC: JOSHUA M. TETZLAFF, CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**FROM:** KYRA CHAPMAN, PLANNER

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MNDOT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION GRANT

APPLICATION

**DATE:** DECEMBER 9, 2024

Earlier this year, the City submitted two applications for the Active Transportation grant, which included the industrial park's trail extension on 6<sup>th</sup> St NW and the trail connection along 12<sup>th</sup> Ave SE from 9<sup>th</sup> St SE to Tikalsky St SE. In the spring, the 12<sup>th</sup> Ave SE trail connection project was selected for funding and was awarded \$172,505. However, the trail extension project on 6<sup>th</sup> St NW was not chosen. The City is planning to apply for the 6<sup>th</sup> St NW project again in early 2025. The project would consist of an 8' bituminous trail north along 6<sup>th</sup> St NW from 11<sup>th</sup> Ave NW to 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NW (TH21).

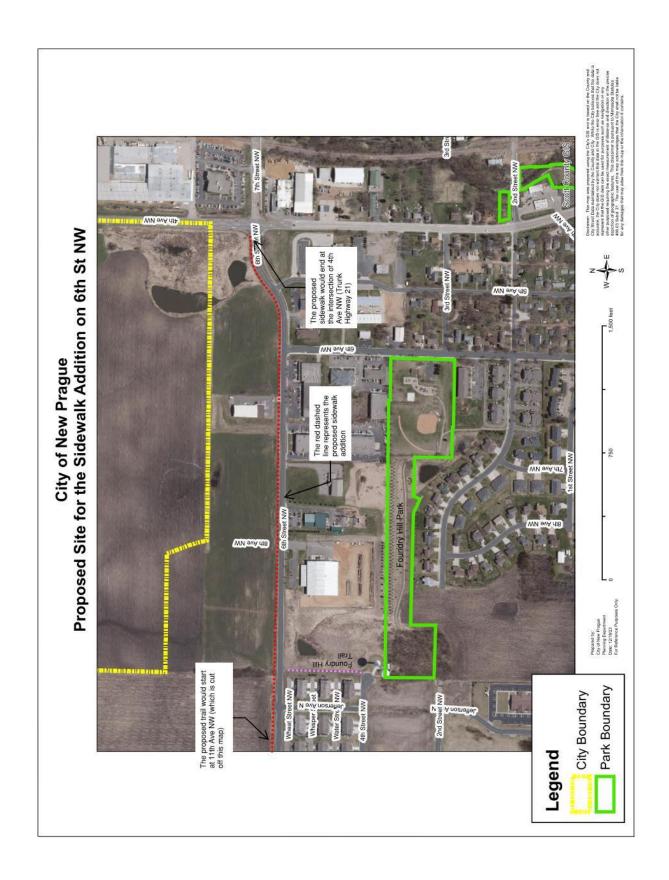
The grant funding could provide 100% of the construction costs for the project whereas the city would cover related project costs (engineering, construction observation, right of way acquisition, etc.). The benefit of the trail is not only for safety purposes to get pedestrians off the roads, but also for encouraging people to walk and bike more. More specifically, it would benefit employees and customers who want to access the industrial district using the trail.

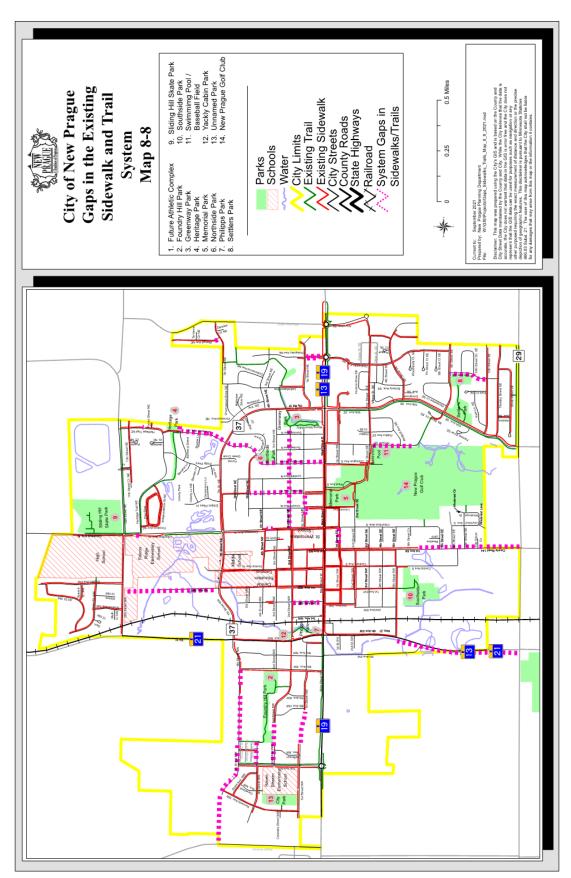
Estimated project costs are as follows:

Industrial Park Trail - \$379,125.00 (\$303,300.00 grant and \$75,825.00 city share)

## **Staff Recommendation**

Approve the attached resolution supporting the MnDOT Active Transportation grant application.





Existing Gaps in the Sidewalk Map