

AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 24-R-53 A Resolution of the City Council Authorizing Execution of a

Grant Award Agreement with the Federal Highway Administration Through the Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Grant Program To Complete a

Ten-Year Update of the City's ADA Transition Plan.

Submitted By: Trenton Sims, Capital Planning Funding Officer

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Issue Statement

A resolution to approve the City Administrator to enter into a Grant Award Agreement with the Federal Highway Administration for Safe Streets for All funds to complete a ten-year update to the City's ADA Transition Plan.

Discussion and/or Analysis

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has awarded the City of Republic \$240,000 through the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant program. The City is required to make a 20% match; if all of the funds are utilized, the City will contribute \$60,000. Funds will cover the cost of hiring a consultant to update Republic's 2016 ADA Transition Plan and Sidewalk Inventory. The final ADA Transition Plan will include recommendations for improvements to existing infrastructure and facilities for ADA compliance. The plan will also identify gaps in the City's sidewalk infrastructure and make recommendations for future sidewalks based on the City's growth.

The resulting plan will support long-term capital planning efforts for ADA accessibility as well as efforts to secure grant funds to construct needed infrastructure. The final plan will also be incorporated into the Ozarks Transportation Organization's Regional Safety Action Plan. This will allow for regional coordination of efforts to promote ADA accessibility and pedestrian safety.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval.