

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: A resolution authorizing the appropriate City officials to file an application with the United States Department of Transportation for a RAISE grant to construct a bicycle and pedestrian bridge connecting South Pier with the Riverfront; to execute documents necessary to accept grant funds; and designating \$1,335,483.00 of local matching as required by the program.

REPORT PREPARED BY: David H. Biebel, Director of Public Works

REPORT DATE: October 3, 2023

MEETING DATE: October 10, 2023

FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Line Item: TBD – As designated
by Finance Director
Budget Summary: TBD – As designated
by Finance Director
Budget Expenditure: \$1,335,483.00
Budgeted Revenue: \$0.00

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin Statutes: N/A
Municipal Code: N/A

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS: The bridge will help pedestrians and bicyclists cross the Sheboygan River safely and reduce vehicle trips and increased activities on both side of the river. The bridge will be movable, closing to pedestrians and bicyclists when boat traffic needs to pass through. The bridge design is to be both functional and aesthetically appealing, creating a focal point and destination for the Riverfront.

STAFF COMMENTS: The resolution sets the stage to secure the federal funding needed to help with the overall project costs estimated at approximately \$8 million with federal funding of approximately \$5.3 million. Design is anticipated to start in 2024 with construction beginning in 2026.

ACTION REQUESTED: Motion to recommend the Common Council adopt Res. No. 65-23-24 authorizing the appropriate City officials to file an application with the United States Department of Transportation for a RAISE grant to construct a bicycle and pedestrian bridge connecting South Pier with the Riverfront; to execute documents necessary to accept grant funds; and designating \$1,335,483.00 of local matching as required by the program.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Res. No. 65-23-24

II. Exhibits to FHWA Grant Agreements under the Fiscal Year 2023 RAISE Grant Program