

## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Richard Mendoza, P.E., Interim Director

**Austin Transportation Department** 

**DATE:** July 25, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item 86 on the July 28, 2022, Council meeting – Safe Streets and Roads for All

**Discretionary Grant Program** 

Agenda item 86 on the July 28, 2022, meeting is related to the City's intention to apply for an Implementation Grant with the Safe Streets and Roads for All discretionary grant program administered by the USDOT. The Recommendation for Action last sentence states "A city funding match (minimum 20%) is available from the 2020 bond."

The purpose of this memo is to clarify for the public record and ensure Council is aware that while the vast majority of funding would come from the 2020 mobility bond programs, if the application is approved by USDOT, a small portion of the grant-funded work would likely utilize operational dollars for the required match.

Since the initial submittal of the item for inclusion on the July 28<sup>th</sup> Council agenda, Austin Transportation Department staff have continued working to refine the strategies included in the grant application. There are now specific strategies within the grant application that would need to be funded through future ATD operational budgets as they are not directly related to capital improvements thus precluding the use of 2020 Bond for these small and specific strategies.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Lewis Leff, Transportation Safety Officer, at 512-974-6421 or at <a href="mailto:leff@austintexas.gov">left@austintexas.gov</a>.

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