

FACT SHEET

**CITY OF SHREVEPORT,
LOUISIANA**

<u>TITLE</u> A RESOLUTION ENDORSING GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO SECURE FUNDS FROM 2021 DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDING AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.	<u>DATE</u> June 15, 2021	<u>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT</u> SPORTRAN <u>COUNCIL DISTRICT</u> All <u>SPONSOR</u>
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PURPOSE

A Resolution to support the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Shreveport desires to apply to secure funds from the \$1 billion discretionary funding from the Rebuilding American Infrastructure and Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

For this round of RAISE grants, the maximum grant award is \$25 million, and no more than \$100 million to a singles state. Shreveport’s RAISE grant application will focus on the Shreveport Healthcare Development Corridor and primarily (1) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) buses and stations utilizing electric buses, (2) street and intersection improvements on the 1.6 mile stretch that connects the Health Care Corridor, (3) traffic signal improvements along BRT route including emergency vehicle preemption devices, (4) bike facilities such as protected bike lanes and/or sharrows and (5) improved street lighting.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: June 22, 2021
Final Passage: June 22, 2021

ATTACHMENT(S)

NA

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

None.

FINANCES

None.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

NA

ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of this Resolution is recommended.

<u>FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:</u>	Thea R. Scott Deputy City Attorney
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RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2021

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SUBMISSION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION TO SECURE FUNDS FROM 2021
DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDING AND TO OTHERWISE
PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

BY:

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport resolves to apply to secure funds from the \$1 billion in Fiscal Year 2021 discretionary funding from the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the focus for the City's application to secure funding will center on the Shreveport Healthcare Development Corridor to improve the roadway, lighting and provide pedestrian bridges in the high traffic area along the route which will enhance safety. Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) buses and stations utilizing electric buses, street and intersection improvements will also be made on the 1.6 mile stretch that connects the Health Care Corridor, traffic signal improvements along BRT route including emergency vehicle preemption devices, bike facilities such as protected bike lanes and/or sharrows and improved street lighting.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened that it hereby endorses and supports grant application submission to the U.S. Department of Transportation to secure 2021 discretionary grant funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications; and, to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office