



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Request to Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Agreement to Accept Transportation Demand Management Grant Funds for FY21-22

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agenda item is for the Town Council to consider authorizing the Town Manager to enter into a MOA for the FY 21-22 TDM Grant Program.

DEPARTMENT: Planning

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INFORMATION:

On January 12, 2021 the Town Council approved continued participation in the Triangle J Council of Governments (TJCOG) Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program for FY21-22. ([Town of Carrboro - File #: 20-439 <https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4747838&GUID=F16B1649-B5EB-449F-AF1B-A2E64218B219&Options=&Search>](https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4747838&GUID=F16B1649-B5EB-449F-AF1B-A2E64218B219&Options=&Search)) At that time, due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, it was unclear how much funding would be made available to the TDM program as a whole and how much Carrboro might receive. As part of that approval, staff indicated that they would bring back a future agenda item, for Council to approval, once the financial details were solidified. As such, this item includes the financial details for the FY21-22 TDM grant program.

As noted in the January agenda item, Chapel Hill serves as the primary recipient of the TJCOG TDM program grant, with Carrboro as a sub-recipient of Chapel Hill. The grant allows for 50% reimbursement of eligible expenses (such as staff time toward TDM efforts or vehicle costs for Open Streets), which we submit documentation of to Chapel Hill before the end of the fiscal year.

The total grant value for the FY21-22 TDM grant program is \$7,500 represents an increase from the previous year (up \$4,500 from FY20-21). This amount can fluctuate from year to year, especially due to the recent impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The TDM grant funds are applicable for reimbursable expenses (50% reimbursement) during the period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT:

The total value of the grant is \$3,750 and requires a local match of \$3,750, which is provided through in-kind,

services (staff time). This staff time is a portion of the Transportation Planner's time that is spent on TDM activities, outreach materials, plus any documented expenses related to the annual Open Streets event incurred between July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Town Council consider the attached resolution (Attachment A) authorizing the Town Manager to execute the TDM Grant MOA for FY21-22.