

CITY COUNCIL**The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**DATE ~~October 17, 2023~~NUMBER 430-2023**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM 2024**

WHEREAS, the FY2024 Safe Routes to School Program (“Program”) provides federal funds for infrastructure projects that facilitate walking and/or bicycling to school, including the construction or installation of sidewalks, crosswalks, signals, traffic-calming measures, and bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township, in coordination with the Orange Board of Education, has worked diligently to implement projects that improve the accessibility, safety, use, and maintenance of the areas surrounding schools within the community; and,

WHEREAS, the FY2024 Program is being administered by the New Jersey Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, no municipal matching funds are required through this Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township wishes to apply for these grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 for the Lincoln Avenue School Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project through the Safe Routes to School Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Orange Township Council as follows:

- A. The Mayor and Council of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, formally authorize the Mayor and Clerk to submit an electronic grant application identified as “*SRS-2024-Lincoln Avenue School Pedestrian S-00053*” to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the 2024 Safe Routes to School Program on behalf of the City of Orange Township;
- B. This project involves roadways that are owned and maintained by the City of Orange Township. The City of Orange Township certifies its commitment to the continual ownership and maintenance for the useful life of the project.
- C. Following the completion of the proposed project, the City of Orange Township will assume maintenance responsibility over all improvements completed with grant funding awarded under the FY2024 Safe Routes to School Program;
- D. The City of Orange Township is designating Marty Mayes, Director of Public Works as the “responsible charge” for this program. Marty Mayes is a full-time employee of the City of Orange Township and will be the responsible charge for the proposed Federal-aid construction project;


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E. Upon receipt of a grant award, the Mayor, or those in said title, are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of The City of Orange Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement;

F. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

I, Joyce L. Lanier, Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Council held on October 17, 2023.

Dated: October 17, 2023

Joyce Lanier
Municipal Clerk

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Council President