

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE August 7, 2024

NUMBER 371-2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM 2024 FOR THE LINCOLN AVENUE SCHOOL PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$912,000.00.

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township applied for and obtained a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program 2024, and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2023 the City of Orange Township approved Resolution No. 430-2023 to submit an application received from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program 2024; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2024 the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program 2024 advised the City of Orange Township that it had been selected to receive funding for the Fiscal Year 2024 Safe Routes to School Program; and


WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township hereby accepts the fund under the Safe Routes to School Program 2024 Award in the amount of \$912,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council does hereby authorize the Mayor to accept funding from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program 2024 for the Fiscal Year 2024.

Adopted: August 7, 2024

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

Adrienne K. Wooten
Council President


A. MIZRAH

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,

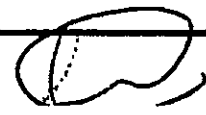
WHEREAS, the FY2024 Program is being administered by the New Jersey Department of Transportation; and

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;



Marty Mayes

RESOLUTION NO. 430-2023

ON CONSENT AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – October 17, 2023

MOTION TO ADOPT: Montague, III

SECOND: Summers-Johnson

YEAS: Coley, Hilbert, Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson & Council President Eason

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENCES: Wooten



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July 10, 2024

The Honorable Dwayne Warren
Mayor, Orange City Township
29 North Day Street
Orange City Township, New Jersey 07050

Dear Mayor Warren:

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) announced its Commitment to Communities Initiative to help local governments succeed in delivering transportation projects. In line with this initiative, I am pleased to inform you that Orange City Township has been selected to receive \$912,000 from the Safe Routes to School Program for the Lincoln Avenue School Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project.

The Safe Routes to School Program is being administered by the NJDOT in partnership with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA), the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), and the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO). The Department along with NJTPA, DVRPC, and SJTPO recognize the overwhelming needs of communities throughout the state, and their desire to improve the health of their children by promoting walking and bicycling to school. The Safe Routes to School Program has proven to be very popular and extremely competitive. This year we received 61 applications totaling more than \$58 million. The Department was able to fund 23 projects based on available funding.

As indicated in our application process, your project must be authorized for implementation within two years of the date of this letter. In addition, the project must be authorized prior to incurring any project related costs that will be reimbursed under this program. Failure to do so could jeopardize your funding. As with all federally funded programs, the funds will be dispersed on a reimbursement basis.

The award of Safe Routes to School grants will be contingent upon the recipient's ability to comply with all applicable federal financial management, project implementation, and oversight regulations. Grant recipient's capabilities comply with state and federal requirements for the administration of federal-aid highway grants including 23 CFR-Highways, and OMB requirements

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related to 2 CFR 200, 2 CFR 215, audit requirements will be assessed prior to awarding of funding for this project.

Additionally, all recipients of federal and state grants are required to comply with the provisions of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

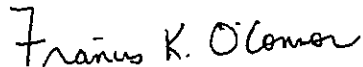
Should you have any questions regarding your grant, please contact the NJDOT Local Aid District in your area.

District 1 - Mount Arlington - 973-810-9120
District 2 - Newark - 862-350-5730

District 3 - Trenton - 609-963-2020
District 4 - Cherry Hill - 856-414-8414

Again, thank you for your support of this program and good luck with your project.

Sincerely,



Francis K. O'Connor
Commissioner

c: Municipal Clerk
Municipal Engineer