Trails to Transit: Atlanta BeltLine Connects People to MARTA

Submitted by the City of Atlanta and Atlanta BeltLine, Inc.

MAY 2022
A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ALEX WAN AS AMENDED BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR A FISCAL YEAR 2022 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MULTIMODAL PROJECT DISCRETIONARY GRANT OPPORTUNITY (MPDG) DISCRETIONARY GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTY MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($70,656,000.00), FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ATLANTA BELTLINE NORTHEAST TRAIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2022, the United States Department of Transportation ("USDOT") published a Notice of Funding Opportunity ("NOFO") under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to solicit applications for three funding opportunities: the National Infrastructure Project Assistance grants program ("Mega"), the Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight and Highways Projects grants program ("INFRA"), and the Rural Surface Transportation Grant program ("Rural"); and
WHEREAS, up to $2.85 billion in grant funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to fund up to 60% of project costs of capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact; and
WHEREAS, this NOFO solicits applications from all eligible applicants, which includes local governments like the City of Atlanta ("City"); and
WHEREAS, the application deadline established by USDOT is May 23, 2022; and
WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 05-0-1733, adopted by the Atlanta City Council on November 7, 2005 and approved by the Mayor on November 9, 2005, authorized the City to create the BeltLine Redevelopment Area and Tax Allocation District ("TAD"); and
WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan financing plan called for leveraging local and BeltLine TAD contributions with federal transportation funds as a part of funding the completion of several sections of the Atlanta BeltLine Project; and
WHEREAS, the Atlanta BeltLine Northeast Trail construction project (the "Project") meets or exceeds the selection criteria and performance measures identified in the NOFO to address safety; state of good repair; economic impacts, freight movement, and job creation; climate change, resiliency, and the environment; and equity, multimodal options, and quality of life; innovation in technology, project delivery, and financing; and
WHEREAS, the Atlanta BeltLine Project is identified in the City's adopted Comprehensive Development Plan and Atlanta’s Transportation Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Atlanta BeltLine Project is identified in the Atlanta metropolitan planning organization's long-range transportation plan, known as 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, and the Atlanta BeltLine Northeast Trail is identified in the Transportation Improvement Program; and
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the Atlanta City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to apply for a Fiscal Year 2022 U.S. Department of Transportation Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity (MPDG) in an amount not to exceed Seventy Million, Six Hundred and Fifty-Six Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents ($70,656,000.00), for the construction of the Atlanta Beltline Northeast Trail.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, or his designee, is encouraged to prepare and submit the FY 2022 MPDG grant application to USDOT pursuant to the May 23, 2022 NOFO for the Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, in his sole discretion, is hereby authorized to partner with one or more agencies in preparing and submitting the FY 2022 MPDG grant application to USDOT.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that if an award is made to the City by USDOT pursuant to the FY 2022 MPDG grant application, execution of agreements which are necessary to accept the award shall be approved by subsequent action of the Atlanta City Council.

A true copy,

Foris Webb III
Municipal Clerk

ADOPTED as amended by the Atlanta City Council
APPROVED by Mayor Andre Dickens

MAY 16, 2022
MAY 17, 2022
Alex Wan, Councilmember, District 6
A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ALEX WAN AS AMENDED BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR A FISCAL YEAR 2022 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MULTIMODAL PROJECT DISCRETIONARY GRANT OPPORTUNITY (MPDG) DISCRETIONARY GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTY MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($70,656,000.00), FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ATLANTA BELTLINE NORTHEAST TRAIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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HISTORY:
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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WITHOUT OBJECTION

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MOVER: Alex Wan, District 6
SECONDER: Matt Westmoreland, Post 2 At Large
AYES: Dozier, Lewis, Overstreet, Wan, Westmoreland
ABSENT: Amir R Farokhi
AWAY: Keisha Sean Waites

05/16/2022 Atlanta City Council ADOPTED AS AMENDED

RESULT: ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY CONSENT VOTE [13 TO 0]
MOVER: Alex Wan, Councilmember, District 6
SECONDER: Howard Shook, Councilmember, District 7
AWAY: Byron D Amos, Liliana Bakhtiari
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**VOTE RECORD - RESOLUTION 22-R-3580**

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- FAVORABLE
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Mayor’s Action
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