

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



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| Agenda Date: | September 20, 2021 |
| Action Required: | Appropriation |
| Presenter: | Chris Gensic, Parks and Recreation |
| Staff Contacts: | Chris Gensic, Parks and Recreation Krisy Hammill, Office of Budget and Performance Management |
| Title: | VDOT HSIP grant – Madison Avenue Washington Park Bike Ramp - \$88,350 |

Background:

The City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has received an award from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in the amount of \$88,350 to assist with efforts to construct a bicycle and pedestrian trail connector from Madison Avenue to Preston Avenue adjacent to Washington Park. The grant requires a local match of \$13,450 which is to be appropriated from the Trails CIP fund. The award of \$74,900 will be appropriated into a new CIP account

Discussion:

There is currently a staircase at the end of Madison Avenue that provides pedestrian access into lower Washington Park. The City is interested in improving this access to also provide for ADA, bicycle, and strollers as well as pedestrians.

Community Engagement:

The bicycle, pedestrian and trail master plan was developed with multiple public meetings and was approved by council to be an addendum to the City Comprehensive Plan.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan:

Construction of this trail will further council goals of being a Connected City by establishing a portion of the bicycle and pedestrian trail system that enhances our residential neighborhoods.

Budgetary Impact:

If these grants funds are appropriated, the match will be taken from the annual Trail CIP account.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends appropriation of grant funds.

Alternatives:

If grants funds are not appropriated, the project will have to be funded entirely with local dollars.

Attachments:

Appropriation Resolution

**RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS for
VDOT Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP) Grant for
Washington Park to Madison Avenue Trail - \$88,350**

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has been awarded \$74,900 from the Virginia Department of Transportation to construct a bicycle and pedestrian ramp to connect Madison Avenue; and at Washington Park

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$88,350 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

Revenue

\$74,900 Fund: 426 WBS: P-01052 G/L Account: 430120

Expenditures

\$74,900 Fund: 426 WBS: P-01052 G/L Account: 599999

Transfer From

\$13,450 Fund: 426 WBS: PR-001 G/L Account: 599999

Transfer To

\$13,450 Fund 426 WBS: P-01052 G/L Account: 599999

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of \$74,900 from the Virginia Department of Transportation.