THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: August 22, /2023

Subject: Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) 2024 BikeSafe Grant

Staff Resource(s): David Zack - APD Police Chief
Elise Lewis - APD Financial Business Manager

Action Requested: Adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept a grant, in the amount of $5,000, for the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) 2024 BikeSafe Grant, and adopt the associated budget amendment in the Special Revenue Fund in the amount of $5,000.

Background:

- The Bike/Safe NC program is a partnership with the Governor's Highway Safety Program and the North Carolina State Highway Patrol that is aimed at reducing motorcycle fatalities.
- Grant funds will be used to promote awareness by contacting motorcycle dealers, clubs and associations to discuss current highway safety activities and attend and/or host training opportunities.
- The Asheville Police Department will act as fiduciary for the program.
- The total of the grant is $5,000 and does not require local matching funds.

Vendor Outreach Efforts:

- None. Funding for this grant is provided by North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program.

Council Goal(s):

- A Connected and Engaged Community

Committee(s):

- Environment & Safety Committee - 07/25/2023; 3-0 approved to move forward to City Council

Pro(s):

- Grant funds are used to pay for travel and training.
- Potential reduction of statewide and regional motorcycle fatalities.

Con(s):

- Funding is evaluated annually and is only available for a one-year period.

Fiscal Impact:

- Matching funds are not required for this grant.

Suggested Motion:

- Motion to adopt a resolution approving the application and acceptance of the grant; and a budget amendment to appropriate the funding.

Attachment(s)

- Resolution
- Budget Amendment

RESOLUTION NO. 23-____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM FOR THE GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM (GHSP) 2024 BIKESAFE GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville has authority pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-17.1 to apply for and receive grants from the State and to enter into contracts for the administration of said grants; and

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program has invited the City of Asheville to apply for funds from the BikeSafe program in the amount of $5,000 for law enforcement travel and training costs; and

WHEREAS, the grant will assist the Asheville Police Department in the promotion of motorcycle rider safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to apply for and accept $5,000 in funding for the Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) 2024 BikeSafe Grant and enter into any necessary agreements.

Read, approved and adopted this the 22nd day of August, 2023.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. _____

BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

That Section 2 of the City of Asheville Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Ordinance be amended to provide an appropriation of $5,000 to accept a State grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) 2023 BikeSafe Grant as follows:

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Revenues:

Federal Grants	$5,000

Appropriations:

Training	$5,000

That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon the date of final passage.

Read, approved and adopted this 22nd day of August, 2023.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney