



MEMORANDUM

P.O. Box 4100 ♦ FRISCO, COLORADO 80443

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: CHRIS MCGINNIS, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/TOWN ENGINEER
RE: RESOLUTION 24-17, SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION TO COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS FOR THE ENERGY IMPACT ASSISTANCE FUND: MAIN STREET LIVE
DATE: MARCH 26, 2024

Summary and Background:

The Town of Frisco updated the Frisco Community Plan in 2019 and identified mobility improvements to improve the multi-modal transportation network and walkability in Frisco. Following the Frisco Community Plan update, Frisco Town Council prioritized the development of a multi-modal, complete street plan in the downtown core. Town staff then worked with SE Group and Toole Design to develop the Frisco Downtown Complete Streets Plan in March 2022. The Downtown Complete Streets Plan identified pedestrian and street improvements in the downtown core.

Following the completion of the Downtown Complete Streets Plan, the Town prioritized Granite Street as the first implementation phase. In 2021, the Town contracted with Toole Design to complete a conceptual to 30% design of the Granite Street improvements recommended in the Downtown Complete Streets Plan. Toole Design completed the 30% design plans in October 2023.

The 30% Granite Street Design includes improvements to Granite street by adding detached sidewalks, detached shared use paths, on-street parking, concrete curb, intersection bulb-outs, roadway curves to provide parking and promote traffic calming, ADA compliant curb ramps, storm sewer improvements, landscaping and pedestrian lighting.

The Town is currently advertising an RFP to complete the final design of the Granite Street improvements. The 2024 budget includes \$600,000 for the completion of this final design.

Town Staff is now exploring grant opportunities to assist in funding both design and construction of the project.

Analysis: Town staff identified the DOLA EIAF, Main Street LIVE grant as a well-suited grant opportunity for the Town's Downtown Complete Streets Plan - Granite Street Final Design. Town staff is completing the grant application with an April 1st due date. Official Action by Town Council to approve the grant application and commit to expenditure of the required minimum matching funds in the amount of 25% is required to submit the DOLA EIAF Main Street Live application by April 1.

Financial Impact: A requirement of the grant award is to commit to the expenditure of matching funds in the amount of 25% or greater. The Capital Improvement Program has already budgeted \$600,000 for the Granite Street design, which exceeds the 25% minimum match requirements. Success in the grant application may reduce the amount of Town funds required for the project and could make funds available for additional capital projects.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The Strategic Plan lists “Complete 100% Granite Street Complete Streets design and begin implementation (2023 – 2026)” as a project goal of the plan. Additionally, the Granite Street phase of the Downtown Complete Streets Plan will improve the quality core services and community inclusivity items listed in the Strategic Plan by improving critical infrastructure and providing new multimodal facilities.

Staff Recommendation: Staff requests Council approval of Resolution 24-17, supporting the application by the Town for the grant application to DOLA EIAF Main Street LIVE to be utilized to complete Granite Street final design portion of the Frisco Downtown Complete Streets Plan.

Reviews and Approvals: This report has been reviewed and approved by:

Tom Fisher, Town Manager
Diane McBride, Assistant Town Manager
Leslie Edwards, Finance Director

Attachments:

Resolution 24-17