



# COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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**TO:** City Council Members

**FROM:** Sylvia Richards, Budget Analyst

**DATE:** March 22, 2022

**RE: PUBLIC HEARING FOR GRANT  
APPLICATION SUBMISSION**

**PROJECT TIMELINE:**

Briefing: Not required.  
Set Date: Not required.  
Public Hearing: Mar. 22, 2022  
Potential Action: TBD

## ISSUE AT-A-GLANCE

The Administration has submitted six grant applications. In an effort to ensure that the City Council, Council staff and the public has adequate opportunity to see and comment on them, the grant application notifications will be included in the Council meeting agendas under Public Hearings. There won't be a set date since this is not a required hearing.

### 5. **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) 2024: Foothill Drive Pedestrian/Bike Safety Improvements Design**

**Purpose/Goal of the Grant:** If awarded, the grant monies will be used to fund 40% of the design and cost estimates to improve multiple pedestrian and bike crossings across Foothill Drive between 1300 East and Parley's Interchange. (Clarification: The Administration will study the length of Foothill Drive. There's some debate about where Foothill ends and where 500 South begins on the north end. UDOT calls it all SR-186. Some think of the north end of Foothill as being 1300 East, even though it probably officially transitions between Guardsman Way and Mario Capecchi Drive. It could be rephrased as "State Route 186 from 500 South/1300 East to Foothill Drive/Parleys Way".)

**Grant Amount:** \$544,463

**Requested by:** Department of Community & Neighborhoods, Transportation Division

**Funding Agency:** Wasatch Front Regional Council administering U.S. Department of Transportation Funds, in collaboration with University of Utah and Research Park and Utah Transit Authority



**Match Requirement:** \$39,537 – Source: Capital Improvement Program FY2023 request submitted by Transportation Division as part of Future Transformations: Corridor and Area Studies. If awarded the funds would be available during FY2024.

**Questions from Council staff and responses from the Administration:**

- a. How are the remaining 60% of the design and costs being funded? Grants or other source? If it's the City's responsibility, from which fund will the remaining costs come?

*"40% design" is a stage in the design process – and it is a good place to pause in the evolution of moving a project from a dot on the map to a project ready to be constructed. A "40% design" is sufficient for providing enough of a concept to give us a solid budget for the remainder of the design and construction. Based on this work, the full design and construction costs would be funded through a future grant or CIP requests. The individual crossings may move from 40% design to full design / construction in different years.*

- b. What is UDOT's role in this project since the State owns and maintains Foothill Drive?

*UDOT has been and would continue to be a key partner and stakeholder in this effort. We would involve them throughout the design process as well as consider them a partner at the completion of this 40% design to find the next stage of funding to complete the design and fund the construction.*

Staff Recommendation: Please refer to motion sheet.