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To: Ande Banks, City Manager

From: Thomas Hartman, PE, PMP, LEED AP, Director of Public Works

Date: February 14, 2023

Re: Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Application – Connecting Active Transportation Infrastructure: Evaluation of Key Corridors

Summary:

Consider adopting a Resolution of Support for a RAISE grant for a planning study to evaluate the ability to connect active transportation infrastructure along key corridors.

Background:

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) authorized and appropriated \$1.5 billion to be awarded by the Department of Transportation (DOT) for FY 2023 for Local and Regional Project Assistance Program Grants, known as the RAISE Grants program. RAISE Grants are for investments in surface transportation that will have a significant local or regional impact. Per the IIJA, in addition to capital awards, DOT will award at least \$75 million for eligible planning, preparation or design of projects eligible for RAISE Grants that do not result in construction with FY2023 RAISE funding.

The project will evaluate existing conditions and identify improvements to provide bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure on important corridors in Harrisonburg. The evaluation will cover multiple modes – vehicles, buses, bicycles and pedestrians – to ensure that proposed projects address multimodal needs on each corridor. Six corridors have been identified, as shown in the map below.

Key Issues:

N/A

Environmental Impact:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

The City is classified as a Rural Area under the RAISE Program and there is not a local match requirement.

Prior Actions:

N/A

Alternatives: N/A

Community Engagement: N/A

Recommendation:
Staff recommends City Council adopting the proposed Resolution.

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Presentation

Review: