

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: 01/20/2022
TOPIC: #6.10 – Safe Routes to School Act
PRESENTER: Dan Hines, Asst. Director-Facilities
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: MN Statute §174.40 – Safe Routes to School Program

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a) In the 2019 and 2021 sessions the Minnesota legislature apportioned \$8 million to the Safe Routes to School Program established in Minnesota Statute 174.40.
- b) The funds are intended to supplement or replace aid for infrastructure projects under the federal Safe Routes to Schools Program.
- c) The Minnesota Department of Transportation is responsible for the administration of the state Safe Routes to Schools Program and makes the funds available to communities through a competitive process.
- d) This solicitation provides \$8 million in state funding for the development and implementation of infrastructure projects which will enable students to walk and bicycle to and from schools.
- e) Washington County is proposing to submit an application to the Minnesota Department of Transportation as part of the Safe Routes to Schools Infrastructure 2021 solicitation for the following project:
 - i. Construction of a trail on the south side of 65th St S (County Road 74) between Meadow Grass Ave S and Hadley Ave S in the City of Cottage Grove.
- f) The aforementioned trail is a recommendation identified in Washington County's Safe Routes to School Engineering Plan (2016) for Cottage Grove Elementary School to increase bicycle and pedestrian safety near Cottage Grove Elementary School and Oltman Middle School.

B. RECOMMENDATION

- a) Administration recommends approval of the resolution of support between ISD 833 and Washington County.



Washington County
CR 74 (65TH ST S)
PROPOSED TRAIL
CONSTRUCTION



0 100 200 400 600 800
Feet

*Identified in the Cottage Grove Elementary school
Safe Route to School Engineering Plan 2017

WOODBURY

13
COUNTY

Existing Trail

Proposed Trail

Existing Trail

Potential Future Trail*

GOODVIEW AVES S

RAITON AVE

HIGHLAND HILLS CURV S

HIGHLAND HILLS BLVD S

THOMPSON PARK CURV S

HIGHLAND HILLS LN S

SUMMIT CT S

SUMMIT CURV S

SUMMIT LN S

POINTE PL S

HOMeward CT S

HADLEY AVE S

61ST ALCOVE S

61ST LN S

61ST ST S

HARKNESS LN S

HARKNESS AVE S

63RD ST S

HEARTHSTONE AVE S

62ND ST S

HEDGE CROFT AVE S

65TH ST S

66TH ST S

OLTMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

WILDFLOWER DR S

INDIGO CT S

CATTAIL AVE S

FOXTAIL CT S

GRANADA AVE S

SKYLARK CT S

CLOVER CIR S

WILD RYE CIR S

MEADOW GRASS AVE S

MEADOW GRASS LN S

BLUESTEM LN S

HADLEN CIR S

TIMBER RIDGE CT S

TIMBER RIDGE DR S

TIMBER TRAIL LN S

TIMBER RIDGE LN S

TIMBER CREST DR S

HARDWOOD AVE S

70TH ST S

COTTAGE GROVE

COTTAGE GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

67TH ST S

HINTON AVES

HOMESTEAD AVE S

69TH ST S

22
COUNTY

PINE CREST TRL S

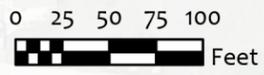
PINE ARBOR BLVD S

PINE ARBOR LN S

PINE ARBOR CT S

PINE ARBOR DR S

Washington County
CR 74 (65TH ST S)
PROPOSED TRAIL
CONSTRUCTION



HIGHLAND HILLS LN S

HOMEWARD CT S

Existing Trail

65TH ST S COTTAGE GROVE

Proposed Trail

MEADOW GRASS AVE S

WILDFLOWER DR S

BLUESTEM LN S

HADLEY CIR S

HADLEY AVE S

HADLEY CT S

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WASHINGTON COUNTY’S SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, in the 2019 and 2021 sessions the Minnesota legislature apportioned \$8 million to the Safe Routes to School Program established in Minnesota Statute 174.40; and

WHEREAS, the funds are intended to supplement or replace aid for infrastructure projects under the federal Safe Routes to Schools Program; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation is responsible for the administration of the state Safe Routes to Schools Program and makes the funds available to communities through a competitive process; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation provides \$8 million in state funding for the development and implementation of infrastructure projects which will enable students to walk and bicycle to and from schools; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is proposing to submit an application to the Minnesota Department of Transportation as part of the Safe Routes to Schools Infrastructure 2021 solicitation for the following project:

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WHEREAS, the aforementioned trail is a recommendation identified in Washington County's Safe Routes to School Engineering Plan (2016) for Cottage Grove Elementary School to increase bicycle and pedestrian safety near Cottage Grove Elementary School And Oltman Middle School; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that South Washington County Schools (District 833) supports Washington County’s submittal of the application listed above for Safe Routes to Schools Infrastructure Program funds.

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Board Chair	Date
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Board Member	Date