RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT APPLICATION & COMMITMENT TO FUND 20% OF THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the US Department of Transportation (DOT) established the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program and has announced funding availability under said Program for transportation infrastructure grants; and

WHEREAS, the City is an eligible applicant with a proven track record of successfully implementing Federal funding from the DOT; and

WHEREAS, the project total for the 2025 application is estimated at \$21,070,000 dollars, of which the City is proposing a RAISE grant of up to \$16,856,000; and

WHEREAS, the City is proposing utilizing local funding and matching funds to support a minimum of 20% (\$4,214,000) of the project to ensure a competitive application; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the request and found it to be in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR HEIGHTS, IOWA:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City staff and Mayor is hereby authorized to prepare and submit a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program application for \$16,856,000; and

<u>Section 2.</u> The Council hereby authorizes staff to accept the award if granted and sign necessary agreements to execute an award.

Passed and Approved this 23rd day of January, 2025.

Mike Jones, Mayor

Adam Strait, City Clerk



January 24, 2025

U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: Financial Support for Windsor Heights RAISE Grant Project

To the Office of the Secretary of Transportation,

On behalf of the City of Des Moines, I would like to commit to financially supporting the Walnut Creek Pedestrian Bridge as a part of the City of Windsor Heights' RAISE Grant Proposal.

We fully recognize the regional significance of the overall project. We see the benefits to safety and accessibility of the pedestrian bridge over Walnut Creek – an amenity that Des Moines residents have asked for numerous times over the years. The bridge will connect residents to retail and services, as well as provide valuable recreational options to our residents and visitors.

As such, the City conditionally commits to support \$50,000 of the project's cost upon successful award of the grant application.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Sanders City Manager



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City Manager/City Clerk

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RE: Financial Support for Windsor Heights RAISE Grant Project

To the Office of the Secretary of Transportation,

On behalf of the City of West Des Moines, I would like to express the City's financial support for Walnut Creek Pedestrian Bridge as a part of the City of Windsor Heights' RAISE Grant Proposal.

We recognize the regional significance of the overall project. We see the benefits to safety and environmental sustainability of the pedestrian bridge over Walnut Creek – an amenity that West Des Moines residents have asked for numerous times over the years.

As such, the City conditionally commits to support \$50,000 of the project's cost upon successful award of the grant application.

Sincerely,

Tom Hadden

City Manager, City of West Des Moines