



MEMORANDUM

Date: August 10, 2026
To: Planning and Development Committee
Members of City Council
From: Timothy Hinkens, P.E., City Engineer
Re: **Memo: Grant Award Acceptance (TAP- Highcrest MUP)**

In alignment with the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Region 1 Planning Commission's (R1PC) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), City staff applied to utilize an allotment of R1PC's Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds received from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for the Highcrest Multi-Use Path project.

The Rockford Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Committee selected the City of Rockford's Highcrest Multi-Use Path project to receive funding in the amount of **\$1,271,066.00** for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2028. This funding will contribute to the project's already secured \$3,000,000.00 of federal Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funds for construction. The City's match of 20% will come from motor fuel tax (MFT).

The project's scope is to narrow Highcrest Road to calm traffic and allow room for a multi-use path on the south side of Highcrest Road, ultimately connecting the existing pathway termination at Jacobi Place and Spring Creek to Augustana Drive.

Please consider the attached resolution authorizing the acceptance of the grant award. Please contact Timothy Hinkens, City Engineer, with any questions.