



THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

6611 Kenilworth Avenue • Riverdale, Maryland 20737

Commission No. 21-13

RESOLUTION

Grant Application: Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity

WHEREAS, The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (“Commission”) seeks to improve the Capital Trails Network in order to facilitate bicycling and walking, to improve access and mobility for individuals with disabilities, and to enhance safety and connectivity throughout neighborhoods in Prince George’s and Montgomery Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Commission wishes complete critical gaps and fill in missing connections in the Capital Trails Network with seven (7) capital projects: Sligo Creek, Central Avenue Connector Trail, and Prince George’s Connector / Anacostia Gateway in Prince George’s County, and Sligo Creek, Rock Creek Trail, Northwest Branch Trail, and Wayfinding & Emergency response signage in Montgomery County (collectively, “Projects”); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation (“USDOT”) is now soliciting applications for Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (“RAISE”) grants pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021; and

WHEREAS, USDOT will award RAISE grants on a competitive basis for capital surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact; and

WHEREAS, the Commission wishes to empower staff of Prince George’s County Department of Parks and Recreation and Montgomery Parks to work together to apply for a RAISE grant in the name of the Commission in an amount up to \$25 million in order to assist the Commission in funding the Projects that would otherwise be funded by Commission capital improvement funds or other funds over which the Commission has oversight; and

WHEREAS, according to the RAISE grant Notice of Funding Opportunity, the federal share of project costs may not exceed 80 percent, so the Commission must contribute at least 20% of the project cost from non-federal sources including State funds originating from programs funded by State revenue, local funds originating from State or local revenue-funded programs, or private funds. The Commission intends to contribute 30% to 50%, in excess of the required 20%, to make the application more competitive.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Commission staff may apply in the name of the Commission for a grant (including all understandings and assurances contained in such application) from United States Department of Transportation in order to assist the Commission in funding the Projects; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission approves matching funds in the amount of at least \$7,400,000 but up to \$18,500,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in connection with the transactions contemplated herein, the Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer and other appropriate officers of the agency are authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the Commission, any and all such agreements, certificates, and/or instruments, and to do or cause to be done, any and all such acts, as the Executive Director, Secretary-Treasurer or other appropriate officer of the agency deems necessary or appropriate to make effective or to implement the intended purposes of the foregoing resolutions, without limitation, and the taking of such actions shall be deemed conclusively to be authorized hereby.

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency

Kristen O. Maneval
M-NCPPC Legal Department
Date: June 9, 2021

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 21-13 adopted by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on motion of Commissioner Washington, seconded by Commissioner Geraldo, with Chair Hewlett, Vice-Chair Anderson, Commissioners Bailey, Cichy, Doerner, Fani-Gonzalez, Geraldo and Washington voting in favor of the motion, and Commissioners Patterson and Verma being absent for the vote at its regular meeting held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 via video-conference, and broadcast from the Wheaton Headquarters Building in Wheaton, Maryland.


Asuntha Chiang-Smith Executive Director