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Date: May 2, 2023

To: Seguin City Council

Steve Parker, City Manager

From: Kathy I. Wood, Grants Administrator

Subject: Approval to Submit Grant Application over \$50,000

The City Council is required to approve all grant applications over \$50,000.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has issued a call for projects for the 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside projects. The City has successfully submitted a Phase I application and we have been requested to submit a Phase II project application. The improvements sought by this project are the construction of sidewalks in front of Koennecke Elementary and Jim Barnes Middle Schools on the south side of Joe Carrillo Boulevard. This will connect existing sidewalks near SH123 and complete a sidewalk gap on the east side of Countryside Boulevard between the new Greenfield development and FM466/Eastwood Drive. Enhanced crossings for both school campuses in the form of pedestrian hybrid beacons are proposed. The proposed project will provide a safe route to school for students north of FM466/Eastwood Drive and will permit pedestrians to safely cross Joe Carrillo at both campuses.

Current estimates are less than \$2M to complete this project, with funding being provided, if awarded, under the Transportation Alternatives program. The City's required match will be in the form of Transportation Development Credits which are available to underserved communities. This project will not require City funds, as currently being proposed.

Staff requests approval of the resolution to submit the grant application.