

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council Members
Steve Parker, City Manager

From: Melissa Reynolds, P.E., CFM – Director of Engineering & Capital Projects

Through: Rick Cortes, Deputy City Manager

Subject: Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan
Professional Services Agreement

Date: October 2, 2023

In fall of 2022, staff submitted to the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary grant program to fund a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. The City was awarded the grant earlier this year with 20% match requirement, or a total funding of \$286,500.

As a recent recipient of a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Action Plan Grant, the effort will provide a framework of innovative strategies and implementation actions intended to reduce transportation-related fatalities and serious injuries while also supporting federal safety initiatives. The plan will serve as the basic building block to identify ways of improving roadway safety by reducing and eliminating serious injury and fatal crashes, communicating, and collaborating with stakeholders and community members, and providing information on funding opportunities. The CSAP will identify safety issues and specific actions that can be implemented to improve safety for people traveling by any mode throughout the city. The plan will develop recommendations for both motorized and non-motorized modes in the roadway network as well as other elements including land use, transit, freight, and other community factors to create a comprehensive course of action. The plan will address federal and state regulations, including local ordinances, design guidance as well as performance management goals, measures, and targets, and will promote equitable outcomes.

The purpose of this program, established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), is to support local initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, motorists, personal conveyance and micro-mobility users, and commercial vehicle operators. Once complete, the City of

Seguin will apply for implementation (capital construction) discretionary grant funds through the SS4A initiative.

In August, a Request for Qualifications was released for Professional Services for development of a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP). On August 29, 2023, three (3) responses were received for the project. City staff have reviewed the statements of qualifications and recommend awarding the contract to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. based presented experience and qualifications.

Funding for necessary City matching was included in the approved Budget for FY2024. Staff will be available to answer any questions at the October 2nd, 2023 City Council meeting.