

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Expend Funds from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$400,000.00) Dollars.

The City of Lowell is desirous of accepting and expending a Grant from MassDOT entitled Complete Streets Grant for improvements to the intersection of Bridge and French Streets to enhance the pedestrian experience; and

The Grant will make available to the City the sum of Four Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$400,000.00) Dollars to support the City's continued efforts to implement the Complete Streets ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL:

That the City Manager be and is hereby authorized to accept and expend funds from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$400,000.00) Dollars for improvements to the intersection of Bridge and French Streets to significantly enhance the pedestrian experience.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant, including the expenditure thereof.

Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

Kara Keefe Mullin
Assistant City Manager

October 27, 2020

Mayor John Leahy
and
Members of the City Council

REFERENCE: Approval to apply for, accept and expend a Complete Streets Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation

Dear Mayor Leahy and Members of the City Council:

The Department of Planning and Development (DPD) is requesting approval to apply for, accept and expend a Complete Streets Grant for \$400,000 from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MADOT) for a Complete Streets grant to support the City's continued efforts to implement our Complete Streets ordinance.

The focus of this application will be the intersection of Bridge and French Streets. The planned improvements will significantly enhance the pedestrian experience at this busy intersection with new pedestrian push buttons, ADA ramps and a pedestrian signal.

The design plans for these improvements are complete. The grant funds will allow us to move forward with this important project quickly. I respectfully request that the City Council authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept and expend up to \$400,000 from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Complete Streets Grant.

Sincerely,



Eileen M. Donoghue
City Manager

EMD/ns
Attachment

cc: Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director
Christine P. O'Connor, City Solicitor
Yovani Baez-Rose, Design Planner
Christopher Hayes, Neighborhood Planner