ADDENDUM
FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, October 19, 2022
5:45 p.m.
VIDEO/WEB CONFERENCE
Denver, CO

Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with CDOT in a total authorized amount not to exceed $181,200 with a term of October 2022 through September 30, 2023 to contract for the FY 2023 405c grant awarded to DRCOG by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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**SUBJECT**

This action concerns DRCOG entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with CDOT for implementation of a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) “405c” grant awarded to DRCOG.

**PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with CDOT not to exceed $181,200 to contract for the FY 2023 405c grant awarded to DRCOG by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

**ACTION BY OTHERS**

N/A

**SUMMARY**

The federal 405c grant program is awarded by NHTSA, and (in Colorado) managed by the STRAC and administered by CDOT. It is focused on all aspects of improving traffic crash records. It is part of the broader NHTSA 405 grant program, which is focused on “occupant protection, traffic safety information systems, impaired driving countermeasures, distracted driving, motorcyclist safety, graduated driver licensing laws, and non-motorized safety.”

DRCOG has been working with CDOT and the Statewide Traffic Records Advisory Committee (STRAC) for several months to secure a NHTSA “405c” grant, which DRCOG was awarded in April 2022. DRCOG’s successful 405c grant application is to investigate the feasibility and value of a regional crash data consortium to inventory the crash data analysis needs of the region and work to solve common issues with crash data collection, processing, and analysis.

Currently, DRCOG receives annual crash data from CDOT and processes it into a regional geocoded crash product. While DRCOG provides this regional product in the Regional Data Catalog, many other jurisdictions process their own product using a multitude of crash data sources, each with their own processing workflow and geocoding methodology inevitably leads to discrepancies, duplication of effort, and lack of coordination.

In response, DRCOG hired a crash consortium planner term position (through September 30, 2023) using in part 405c grant funds. The consortium planner is responsible for performing a comprehensive needs assessment and inventory of current local government and other stakeholder crash data collection and use practices, drafting a formal document for stakeholders to pledge time and potentially future funding to the consortium, and convening the crash data consortium for the DRCOG region.
In April, NHTSA approved DRCOG’s 405c grant funding request for $241,600. Due to delays in negotiating a contract with CDOT, the current IGA will total $181,200 with a term ending September 2023. CDOT is providing the required 20 percent non-federal match.

**PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS**

**July 20, 2022** – Informational Item presented to the Finance & Budget Committee regarding the 405c grant award.

**PROPOSED MOTION**

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with CDOT in a total authorized amount not to exceed $181,200 with a term of October 2022 through September 30, 2023 to contract for the FY 2023 405c grant awarded to DRCOG by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

**ATTACHMENT**

Draft resolution

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you need additional information, please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at drex@drcog.org or (303) 480-6701; or Ron Papsdorf, Director, Transportation Planning and Operations, at 303 480-6747 or rpapsdorf@drcog.org
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH CDOT IN A TOTAL AUTHORIZED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $181,200 WITH A TERM OF OCTOBER 2022 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 TO CONTRACT FOR THE FY 2023 405c GRANT AWARDED TO DRCOG BY THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, DRCOG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), is responsible for carrying out and maintaining the continuing comprehensive transportation planning process in the Denver Transportation Management Area; and

WHEREAS, one of DRCOG’s core MPO functions is improving traffic safety collaboration and outcomes within the region; and

WHEREAS, through partnership with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), CDOT, and the Statewide Traffic Records Advisory Council (STRAC), DRCOG was awarded a NHTSA 405c traffic records improvement grant for a total of $181,200 for FY 2023; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG intends to use the 405c grant award a crash consortium planner term position to inventory regional crash data analysis needs, and investigate and implement a regional crash data consortium to improve crash data accuracy, timeliness, coordination, and use outcomes; and

WHEREAS, DRCOG needs to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with CDOT as the administrator for the 405c grant award to contract for the awarded funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with CDOT in a total authorized amount not to exceed $181,200 with a term of October 2022 through September 30, 2023 to contract for the FY 2023 405c grant awarded to DRCOG by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

RESOLVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____________, 2022 at Denver, Colorado.

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Jeff Baker, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
Denver Regional Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director