**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**  
**LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION**  
**APRIL 16, 2024 AGENDA**

| Subject: Authorization of a Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant application with the Arkansas Department of Transportation for the West Markham Street Side Path Project. | Action Required: Ordinance √ Resolution | Approved By: Emily Cox  
Acting City Manager |
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**Submitted By:**  
Public Works Department

**SYNOPSIS**  
A resolution to authorize the City Manager to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Funding for the West Markham Street Side Path Project, from North Woodrow Street to South Park Street, located in front of the Arkansas School for the Deaf and Arkansas for the Blind and Visually-Impaired.

**FISCAL IMPACT**  
Federal Funds in the amount of $500,000.00 will be requested. The grant will require local matching funds at a minimum amount of 20%, or $125,000.00, of the project cost. Matching funds will be allocated in the Street Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION**  
Approval of the resolution.

**BACKGROUND**  
This proposed TAP Grant Project will be for the design and construction of a new Multi-Use Side Path along West Markham Street, from North Woodrow Street to South Park Street, located in front of the Arkansas School for the Deaf and Arkansas for the Blind and Visually-Impaired. These mobility improvements will meet the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Guidelines, while increasing pedestrian comfort with wider paths and greater separation from motorists.