

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE March 15, 2024

TO Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

SUBJECT **National League of Cities 2024 City Congressional Conference**

This week, members of the Dallas City Council traveled to Washington, D.C. for the National League of Cities City Congressional Summit. The City of Dallas delegation met with members of the Dallas Congressional delegation and their staff to discuss critical issues impacting the city, including environmental regulations relating to water and solid waste, decriminalizing fentanyl testing strips, extension of the Affordable Connectivity Program, funding for home improvement and mental health programs, concerns regarding telecom preemption legislation, as well as funding for the dredging of White Rock Lake. City representatives also extended appreciation to the delegation for \$6 million in FY24 Community Project Funding requests, recently enacted with President Biden's signature on Friday, March 8.

While City leadership is continuing to advocate to address these many important issues, the Office of Government Affairs is also in the process of preparing FY25 Community Project Funding requests. These requests will be submitted this month to the Dallas Congressional delegation for consideration as part of the federal FY2025 appropriations legislation. The legislative team also submitted FY25 appropriations programmatic funding requests for CDBG, HOME, and Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI), in line with priorities discussed with the Dallas Congressional delegation this week.

We will keep you apprised as these items move through the process. Should you have any questions, please contact me at [carrie.rogers@dallas.gov](mailto:carrie.rogers@dallas.gov) or Alexandra Renteria, Senior Governmental Affairs Coordinator at [alexandra.renteriana@dallas.gov](mailto:alexandra.renteriana@dallas.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrie Rogers".

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