

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE August 12, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

SUBJECT **RAISE Grant Award – NCTCOG and DART**

On August 9, 2022, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant awards, which includes a \$25M grant to the North Central Council of Governments (NCTCOG) for Improved Bicycle/Pedestrian Routes to Rail & Transit Technology. RAISE discretionary grants, which were originally created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act as TIGER grants, can be used for a wide variety of projects.

As part of the RAISE grant awarded to the NCTCOG, the projects specific to the City of Dallas will fund construction of over 30 miles of missing sidewalk in the half-mile radius of Dallas Area Rapid Transit's (DART) 8th & Corinth, Morrell, Illinois, and Kiest Stations, and extend the Cedar Crest Trail approximately 1.5 miles. The projects will also improve transit accommodations with new technology, upgrades, and safety features at nearby bus stops on DART's route 217 and Blue Line light rail stations including Kiest, VA Medical Center, and Morrell Stations.

The City of Dallas, along with other agencies, worked collaboratively with NCTCOG on the grant application to USDOT and we are appreciative of the support of the efforts to improve mobility and safety for the residents of Dallas.

We will keep the City Council informed on the timelines for implementation of these projects as they are designed and planned for construction. However, should there be any immediate questions, please contact me by email at [robert.perez@dallas.gov](mailto:robert.perez@dallas.gov).

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