

Draft Resolution xx -2022 to Partner on Federal Safe Streets and Roads for All Planning Grant Opportunity

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) federal grant program, with up to one billion dollars appropriated in FY22, and with a local match of 20% of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, local municipalities are eligible to apply for funding to create a detailed transportation safety “Action Plan”, either individually or in collaboration with other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the FY22 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO, available here: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=340385>), states that applications with multiple municipalities partnering to create a plan will be more competitive for funding than applications from a single municipality; and

WHEREAS, successful creation of an Action Plan in this grant cycle would make the partnering municipalities eligible to apply for implementation grants in future years of this grant program, either individually or in collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ithaca has agreed to be the “Lead Applicant” on this planning grant application, with multiple neighboring municipalities expressing interest in applying as “Joint Applicants”, including the following in alphabetical order:

- Town of Caroline
- Town of Danby
- Town of Dryden
- Town of Ithaca
- Town of Lansing
- Village of Cayuga Heights
- Village of Lansing

WHEREAS, the role of the City of Ithaca as Lead Applicant will be to complete the online application on behalf of all partnering municipalities for FY22 funding, with an application due date of September 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ithaca is presenting a resolution to its Common Council, requesting a budget to fund the study in whole at \$750,000, to be eventually reimbursed 80% by the grant, with individual municipalities reimbursing the City of Ithaca for its share of the 20% local match. The Town of Dryden share of the local match is not to exceed \$25,000; then be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Dryden agrees to partner with the City of Ithaca and other neighboring municipalities to jointly apply for the SS4A planning grant opportunity to create an Action Plan that covers both regional and municipality-specific transportation safety problems, as well as presents detailed regional and municipality-specific solutions; and

RESOLVED, that the Town of Dryden agrees to reimburse the City of Ithaca for its share of the 20% local match (\$150,000 total local match for a \$750,000 total project cost), specifically that the Town of Dryden will reimburse the City of Ithaca an amount not to exceed \$25,000.