MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) PROJECTS

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is hereby entered into between the City of Fort Worth and Fort Worth Independent School District (FWISD).

WHEREAS, this MOU is established for the submittal of a Safe Routes to School infrastructure application, and in anticipation of receiving a funding award through the federal Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set-Aside) Program, awarded by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT); and,

WHEREAS, this MOU details the roles and responsibilities of the Nominating Entity and the Supporting Entity; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Worth and the Fort Worth Independent School District in collaboration with Blue Zones Project – Fort Worth, have determined that a need exists to improve the routes on which children walk and bicycle to and from school; and,

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the creation of Safe Routes to School programs assists cities with the establishment of safe and healthy communities; and is beneficial to school districts in curbing childhood obesity and promoting social interaction among students and parents through walking, bicycling, and physical activity; and,

WHEREAS, both the City of Fort Worth City Council and Fort Worth Independent School District Board of Trustees passed resolutions in support of partnering on Safe Routes to School; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT UNDERSTOOD, the City of Fort Worth desires to partner with the Fort Worth Independent School District and enter into this MOU for the following purposes:

To prepare and submit applications for the planning, design, and construction of SRTS projects in the City of Fort Worth. Below is the list of tentative schools to be submitted for SRTS project.

Blue Zones Project and FWISD partnership schools:

- 1. ML Phillips Elementary
- 2. WJ Turner Elementary
- 3. Diamond Hill Elementary
- 4. CC Moss Elementary

Other FWISD schools in the City of Fort Worth:

- 5. D McRae Elementary School
- 6. Bonnie Brae Elementary School
- 7. Daggett Elementary School

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE NOMINATING ENTITY (City of Fort Worth)

The Nominating Entity will:

1. Prepare a TA Set-Aside program application which will detail the work and budget to successfully complete the project activities.

- 2. Submit the application to the Supporting Entity in sufficient time for the Supporting Entity to review the application before it is submitted to NCTCOG,
- 3. Upon project selection, coordinate with NCTCOG to enter the project scope, budget, schedule, and project limits into the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) by July 28, 2017.
- 4. Coordinate with TxDOT the performance of all work per the approved project plan included in the awarded application, recognizing that the TA Set-Aside program is a reimbursable program. As such the Nominating Entity agrees to use its own funds first and then submit timely invoices, with all necessary documentation of work completed, to TxDOT.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SUPPORTING ENTITY (Fort Worth Independent School District)

The Supporting Entity will:

- 1. Provide staff to periodically coordinate on the development of the TA Set-Aside program application,
- 2. Upon completion of the project the Fort Worth Independent School District will continue to support and encourage students to safely walk and bicycle to school.

DURATION AND TERMINATION

This MOU is to remain in effect until notification that the funding was not awarded or until the end of the construction period, as detailed in the final Agreement between the awarded agency and TxDOT.

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