

Memorandum

To: Mayor and Council
From: Tom Baker, Town Administrator
Date: November 15, 2016
Re: Resolution of Support: Safe Routes to Schools (CDOT) Grant

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to consider a support resolution to be included in a grant application for CDOT's Safe Routes to Schools grant.

Background and Discussion: In an effort to find grant funds to help the Town implement the Garfield County Needs Assessments (New Castle connectivity projects), staff is completing the SRTS application. In this application we are seeking funds to complete missing sidewalks on east Main Street between B Avenue and E Avenue on the south side; a sidewalk connection from E Avenue to the Jolley Trail on the north side; a crosswalk on Main Street at D Avenue; wayfinding signs for each end of the Burning Mountain Trail; and if possible, crosswalks at the intersection of CVB/US 6&24.

This grant has a 20% match requirement and we expect to use our \$10,000 LiveWell funding that was part of our unsuccessful CDOT Transportation Alternatives Program grant; Transportation Impact Fee funds for the US6&24/CVB intersection; and if needed, funds for sidewalks from the 2017 budget. At the time I was writing this memorandum we did not yet have an estimated budget for this project.

Request: Staff requests Council approve this resolution and allow staff to insert the grant funding request amount into the resolution once we have accurate numbers.

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. TC-2016-22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORTING
THE APPLICATION FOR A SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS GRANT WITH THE
COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, and therefore an eligible applicant for a Safe Routes to Schools grant awarded by Colorado Department of Transportation ("CDOT"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle has submitted a Grant Application for Sidewalk Connections, Crosswalks, Educational Programs and Trail Wayfinding Signs requesting a total award of \$XXX,XXX; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle supports the completion and maintenance of these projects/programs if a grant is awarded by the CDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Town of New Castle **THAT:**

- Section 1: The Town of New Castle strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a Safe Routes to Schools grant with CDOT.
- Section 2: If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle strongly supports the completion of the project.
- Section 3: The Town of New Castle authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any Grant awarded.
- Section 4: The project site is on public land and will be under the control of the Town of New Castle.
- Section 5: The Town of New Castle will continue to maintain these improvements in a high quality condition and will appropriate funds for maintenance in its annual budget.
- Section 6: If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the grant agreement with Colorado Department of Transportation.

Introduced, Read and Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of New Castle, Colorado, on November 15, 2016.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

ATTEST:

Art Riddile, Mayor

Melody L Harrison, Town Clerk