

MOTION: BAILEY

**January 21, 2025
Regular Meeting**

SECOND: BODDYE

Res. No. 25-038

RE: AUTHORIZE A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY PROGRAM FOR FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION— OCCOQUAN MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT

ACTION: APPROVED

WHEREAS, the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program, administered by the United States Department of Transportation, provides federal grant funding for national transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 RAISE program will award up to \$1,500,000,000 in discretionary grant funds through a competitive application process; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2025 RAISE Notice of Funding Opportunity was released in November 2024 to solicit applications and establish selection criteria for transportation infrastructure projects of significant local or regional importance that improve public safety, foster economic growth, reduce impacts of climate change, and improve racial equity; and

WHEREAS, Prince William County (County) is an eligible applicant and desires to pursue all available funding sources to enhance the transportation network of the County; and

WHEREAS, projects identified by the Prince William Board of County Supervisors (Board) as priority for funding were evaluated by County staff in terms of the program eligibility requirements, selection criteria, and project funding needs to determine the most competitive projects for this grant opportunity. As a result of this evaluation, County staff recommends the Old Bridge Road–Gordon Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project (Project) for application to the FY 2025 RAISE program; and

WHEREAS, County staff is recommending approval of this resolution, including requesting the maximum allowable grant amount of \$25,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the Project will help to eliminate dangerous weaving movements with the construction of a flyover ramp from northbound Gordon Boulevard (Route 123) to westbound Old Bridge Road. The Project was included in the 2019 voter-approved bond referendum and the FY 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program. The intersection is designated a Board priority project and has been previously authorized for application for federal grant funding;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Executive, or their designee, to submit the Fiscal Year 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Program application and to execute all other documents necessary to secure funding through the Fiscal Year 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Program, administered by the United States Department of Transportation, for the Old Bridge Road–Gordon Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project identified herein by County staff.

Votes:

Ayes: Angry, Bailey, Boddye, Franklin, Gordy, Jefferson, Vega, Weir

Nays: None

Absent from Vote: None

Absent from Meeting: None

For Information:

Transportation Director

ATTEST: _____

Andrea P. Madden

Clerk to the Board