



VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: MAY 25, 2021
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AGENDA ITEM: CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF THE MULTI-MODAL #4 GRANT APPLICATION
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MEMORANDUM

From: Office of the Village Administrator

To: Mayor Rossillo and the Board of Trustees

Re: Request to submit application for Multi-Modal grant to promote pedestrian safety

Date: May 20, 2021

In February 2020, Assemblymember Tom Abinanti's office offered the Village an opportunity to apply for an \$80,000 Multi Modal grant through the New York State Department of Transportation to promote pedestrian safety. The program provides reimbursed funding for transportation capital projects including those that enhance pedestrian safety. The program does not require matching funds from the Village, but is reimbursement-based and therefore we would need to finance the project implementation and then seek reimbursement for the project that has been pre-approved by the state. The Village Administrator's office began the application in March 2020, but with the onset of COVID-19, the effort was temporarily set aside to devote time, money and attention to coping with the public health emergency. We now would like to resume the application process with due expediency so as not to lose the opportunity.

With the infrastructure priorities of the Traffic Committee in mind, as well as recommendations from both the Police Department and the Department of Public Works, we would like to apply for funds to develop a pedestrian island and curb extension at the crosswalk at the intersection of Ashford Avenue and Storm Street. In addition, if the budget allows, we would consider a Hawk signal or a flashing beacon at the crosswalk at the intersection of Broadway and Maple Street. We are confirming a more precise estimate for installation of a pedestrian refuge and curb extension with our engineer, as well as requesting our Village planning consultant to review the proposal. We will be working with grant writer Fiona Matthew on the application.

As you may be aware, Ashford Avenue at the intersection with Storm Street widens significantly and is situated on a curve at the crest of a hill that can obscure driver sightlines. For this reason the Traffic Committee identified improvements to this intersection as the top infrastructure priority this year. We will work with our emergency services and Department of Public Works to ensure that the narrower crossing leaves adequate space for fire vehicles and snow plows.

We look forward to your feedback on the submission of the grant application.

RESOLUTION -2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE MULTI-MODAL #4 GRANT
APPLICATION.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is interested in improving pedestrian safety in the Village, and the Village Traffic Committee has identified the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Ashford Avenue and Storm Street as a point of concern,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dobbs Ferry hereby authorizes the Village Administrator to submit an application for the Multi-Modal #4 grant opportunity to improve the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Ashford Avenue and Storm Street.