

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S: TRANSPORTATION
ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM 2023 FOR THE WASHINGTON STREET
CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: Phase II**

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange, Essex County, State of New Jersey, desires to apply to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program provides federal funds for community based "non-traditional" surface transportation projects designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the nation's intermodal system; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange has designed the Washington Street Corridor Improvement Project: Phase II to meet all criteria necessary to receive funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program, and to maximize accessibility of multiple modes of surface transportation within this project area in West Orange; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Street Corridor Improvement Project: Phase II will encourage alternative modes of transportation, enhance travel, improve open space and smart growth, and positively impact the quality of life for the Township's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange is applying for funding for a project directly related to surface transportation to improve the promotion and encouragement of pedestrian and bicycle access and safety for alternative modes of transportation for West Orange residents; and

WHEREAS, this primary activity involves land that is owned by the County of Essex, and the Township of West Orange hereby commits to maintain the Project Area once developed; and

WHEREAS, following the completion of the proposed project, the Township of West Orange certifies that it will be responsible for the continual maintenance for the useful life of the project after the construction is completed through its Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Orange will assign Leonard Lepore P.E., Municipal Engineer/Director of Public Works, to serve as the Township employee designated as the "responsible charge" for this project. Mr. Lepore is employed full-time by the Township of West Orange; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Orange, hereby authorize the submission of a Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program grant application identified as "TA-2023-Washington Street Corridor Improvement-00037" to the New Jersey Department of Transportation: Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program for the Washington Street Corridor Improvement Project: Phase II.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Administrator, and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of West Orange and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement.

**Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Township Council
On this 20th day of September, 2022.**

Karen J. Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk

Susan McCartney
Council President

Adopted: September 20, 2022