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# <u>Department of Planning & Development Review</u> Staff Report

**Ord. No. 2024-076:** To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$3,000,000.00 from the Central Virginia Transportation Authority, and to amend Ord. No. 2023-073, adopted May 8, 2023, which accepted a program of proposed Capital Improvement Projects for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and the four fiscal years thereafter, adopted a Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, and determined a means of financing the same, by (i) establishing a new project for the Department of Public Works in the Transportation category called the "Fall Line Trail Bryan Park Segment" project, and (ii) increasing estimated revenues from the funds received from the Central Virginia Transportation Authority and the amount appropriated to the new Department of Public Works' Fall Line Trail Bryan Park Segment project in the Transportation category by \$3,000,000.00, for the purpose of funding the implementation of the Fall Line Trail Bryan Park Segment project.

**To:** City Planning Commission Land Use Administration

**Date:** March 19, 2024

#### **PETITIONER**

City of Richmond

# **PURPOSE**

To amend Ord. No. 2023-073 adopted May 8, 2023, which adopted the Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2024, and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$ 3,000,000 from the Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA) and appropriate the revenues by amending the FY2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget in Award #(NEW) for the 'Fall Line Trail-Bryan Park Segment' project.

#### **SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION**

On May I, 2020, the Virginia General Assembly adopted House Bill 1541, which created the Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA), comprising the counties and cities located in Planning District 15 to provide new funding opportunities for priority transportation investments across the region. The Central Virginia Transportation Authority is a body politic and as a political subdivision of the Commonwealth. The Authority embraces each county, city, and the nine localities are Richmond City, Hanover County, Goochland County, Powhatan County, Chesterfield County, Charles City County, New Kent County, Henrico County and Town of Ashland. The Authority administers transportation funding generated through Regional 0.7 percent sales and use tax; Wholesale tax of 7.6 cents per gallon of gasoline and 7.7 cents per gallon of diesel fuel. Localities receive 50% of the funds collected in their jurisdiction; Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA) receives 35% of the funding to disburse on regional priority projects; and GRTC receives 15%.

This project covers sections 6b of the Fall Line Trail impacting the City of Richmond. The project will be a minimum of 10' wide asphalt multi-use path navigating primarily within the boundaries of

Bryan Park, city owned land. The city will administer the project, handle the procurement, and administer the construction phase of the project through completion.

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

### **Site Description**

This segment of the Fall Line Train will be primarily located within the boundaries of Bryan Park.

# **Proposed Use of the Property**

A minimum of 10' wide asphalt multi-use path.

## **Master Plan**

The City's Richmond 300 Master Plan designates the future land use for Bryan Park as Public Open Space, which is defined as, "Public and quasi-public parks, recreation areas, open spaces, and cemeteries."

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