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COUNCIL BILL     2022- 058     RESOLUTION   

A RESOLUTION

1 AUTHORIZING the City Manager or his designee, to apply for up to \$8,000,000 in  
2 grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation  
3 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity  
4 Grant Program to fund the improvements for the Jefferson Avenue  
5 Footbridge Rehabilitation Project.  
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8 WHEREAS, the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge was built in 1902, is on the  
9 National Register of Historic Places, and has been closed for rehabilitation; and  
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11 WHEREAS, the City received two unresponsive bids to the project to rehabilitate  
12 Jefferson Avenue Footbridge in 2021, each of which exceeded the amount budgeted for  
13 the project; and  
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15 WHEREAS, based on these bids, the estimated total cost to rehabilitate the  
16 Jefferson Avenue Footbridge is \$6,600,000; and  
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18 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation (“USDOT”)  
19 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (“RAISE”) Grant  
20 Program offers discretionary grants that help communities carry out projects with  
21 significant local or regional impact; and  
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23 WHEREAS, the Federal share of project costs may be up to 80 percent, or 100  
24 percent if the project is located in an area deemed a historically disadvantaged  
25 community; and  
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27 WHEREAS, proposed RAISE projects are rigorously reviewed and evaluated by  
28 USDOT using statutory criteria for safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life,  
29 community connectivity, and others, and are selected based on merit.  
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31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
32 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:  
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34 Section 1 – The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to apply for  
35 the RAISE grant from the United States Department of Transportation in the amount of

36 \$8,000,000, for the purpose of rehabilitating the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge.

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38 Section 2 – This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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40 Passed at meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

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43 Mayor

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45 Attest: \_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk

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47 Filed as Resolution \_\_\_\_\_

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49 Approved as to form: , Assistant City Attorney

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52 Approved for Council action: , City Manager

## EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL 2022-058

FILED: 03-01-22

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PURPOSE: Authorizing the City Manager or his designee, to apply for up to \$8,000,000 in grant funds, (100% of the \$8,000,000 total project budget) from the United States Department of Transportation Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity ("RAISE") Grant Program to fund the improvements for the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge Rehabilitation Project.

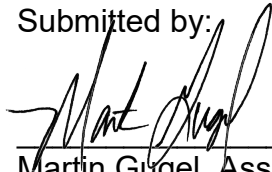
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Jefferson Avenue Footbridge was built in 1902 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The bridge is currently closed and need of repair before reopening. The project was bid in 2021 with two unresponsive bids received. Additionally, these two bids exceeded the funds that had been budgeted for the project. On December 7, 2021, City Council asked staff to look for additional funding opportunities. The RAISE Grant could provide the additional funding needed for this project. It is anticipated that projects selected for this grant will be announced by August 12, 2022.

Supports the following City Council Priorities:

- Quality of Place
- Public safety
- Economic vitality
- Fiscal sustainability

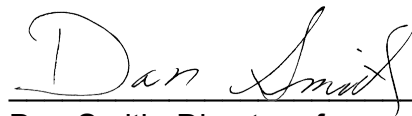
REMARKS: Public Works recommends passage of this Resolution.

Submitted by:



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Martin Gugel, Assistant Director  
of Public Works

Recommended by:



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Dan Smith, Director of  
Public Works

Approved by:



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Jason Gage,  
City Manager