

MEMORANDUM

To: MPO Policy Board

From: Jessica Hersh-Ballerling, Transportation Planner

Date: May 12, 2021

Reference: City of Charlottesville's application for Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program Funding to Complete the Meadow Creek Trail and Bridge Project

Purpose: Applications for Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program funding require a resolution of support from the locality as well as regional governing bodies, such as the MPO Policy Board.

The following resolution supports the City of Charlottesville's Transportation Alternatives application for funding to complete the Meadow Creek Trail and Bridge Project. This application requests \$500,000 in grant funding and promises a \$125,000 local match.

Background: The City of Charlottesville previously applied for and was awarded a \$300,000 Transportation Alternatives grant for the design and construction of a bike and pedestrian bridge across Meadow Creek as part of the US 250 commuter trail from Hydraulic Road to Brandywine Drive.

Additional funding is needed to complete this project. City of Charlottesville is requesting the \$500,000 additional funds needed in the upcoming round of Transportation Alternatives funding; the City of Charlottesville is prepared to commit \$125,000 in local match (more than the 20% required).

Recommendation: Staff requests that the MPO Policy Board vote in favor of the resolution to support the City of Charlottesville's application for funding to complete the Meadow Creek Trail and Bridge Project.

Any questions on project details can be directed to Chris Gensic, City of Charlottesville Park and Trails Planner, via email (gensic@charlottesville.gov) or phone (434- 970-3656).

Any questions on the resolution wording or impacts can be directed to Jessica Hersh-Ballerling, TJPDC Transportation Planner, via email (jballerling@tjpd.org).