

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 27, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

SUBJECT **FY 2023 Community Project Funding Requests**

The offices of the United States House of Representatives have officially released their FY 2023 Community Project Funding requests. Per House rules, each member is allowed to submit up to 15 requests, with requests limited to projects sponsored by governmental entities and nonprofit organizations. In addition, requests are limited to specific accounts (COPS Technology, HUD Economic Development Initiative, Highway Infrastructure Projects, etc.) and most accounts are limited to requests in the range of \$100,000 to \$5 million, with each House member receiving \$10 million to \$15 million across all requests.

The House will consider FY 2023 appropriations bills beginning in June, with the goal of completing work on all 12 bills before the August recess. The Senate is usually several weeks behind the House and often does not complete work on appropriations bills until September. (Last year, they did not complete work on any of the 12 appropriations bills and negotiated the final omnibus appropriations bill based on Appropriations Committee draft bills.) FY 2023 begins on October 1, but it is unlikely that Congress will finish work on the FY 2023 budget on time. They did not complete work on the FY 2022 budget until March. However, once the House and Senate Appropriations Committees begin considering bills, we will know if any City of Dallas projects are included in those bills.

In the meantime, it is appropriate to thank Representatives Allred, Johnson, Van Duyne, and Veasey for submitting City projects when you see them in person. The Community Project Funding process is competitive; as noted above, each House member can only submit 15 requests and those 15 requests must cover every local government, transit agency, public agency, college, university, and nonprofit in their district.

A summary of City of Dallas requests (and links to all requests) submitted by the Dallas House delegation follows.

[Representative Colin Allred](#)

- \$10 million – Digital Divide, Traffic Signals & Streetlights
- (Representatives Allred, Johnson, and Veasey also requested \$7 million for the Southern Gateway, which is technically a request submitted by the Southern Gateway Park Foundation)

[Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson](#)

- \$930,000 – DPD Records Management System
- \$4 million – MLK Community Center Solar Panel Installation

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- \$3 million – Dallas Urban Forest Tree Inventory
- \$1 million – Love Field Alternate Entry Planning
- \$2 million – Greater Downtown Dallas Master Plan

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[Representative Beth Van Duyne](#)

(note that at the bottom, her page includes projects she submitted last year)

- \$935,000 – DPD Records Management System

[Representative Marc Veasey](#)

- \$1 million – Hensley Field Shoreline Modification
- (Representatives Allred, Johnson, and Veasey also requested \$7 million for the Southern Gateway, which is technically a request submitted by the Southern Gateway Park Foundation)

We will continue to keep you apprised as these items move through the process. Should you have any questions, please reach out to me or Carrie Rogers, Director of Government Affairs.

Sincerely,



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Chairman
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