RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS SUPPORTING THE CITY OF BASTROP’S APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S 2023 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE (TA) CALL FOR PROJECTS REQUESTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWELVE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTEEN DOLLARS AND SIXTY CENTS ($12,232,513.60) TO REHABILITATE THE OLD IRON BRIDGE; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS, PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Old Iron Bridge was built in 1923 and is registered as a historic landmark by the National Register of Historic Places, a designation given by the U.S. Department of Interior in 1990; and

WHEREAS, significant deterioration was found during a 2018 inspection, which caused the bridge to be closed to pedestrian traffic; and

WHEREAS, rehabilitating the Old Iron Bridge meets these Focus Areas identified by City Council: Community Safety, Fiscal Responsibility, Uniquely Bastrop, and Unique Environment; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation issued a call for projects in December 2022 for communities to apply for funding assistance through the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program; and

WHEREAS, the TA funds may be used for development of preliminary engineering (plans, specifications, and estimates and environmental documentation) and construction of pedestrian and/or bicycle infrastructure. The TA funds require a local match, comprised of cash or Transportation Development Credits (TDCs), if eligible. The City of Bastrop would be responsible for all non-reimbursable costs and 100% of overruns, if any, for TA funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City of Bastrop, Texas supports funding this project as described in the 2023 TA Detailed Application (including the preliminary engineering budget, if any, construction budget, the department’s direct state cost for oversight, and the required local match, if any) and is willing to commit to the project’s development, implementation, construction, maintenance, management, and financing.

SECTION 2. The City of Bastrop, Texas is willing and able to enter into an agreement with the department by resolution or ordinance, should the project be selected for funding.

SECTION 3. All orders, ordinances, and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.
**SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, and it is duly resolved.

**DULY RESOLVED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, this 25th day of April, 2023.

**CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS**

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Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Ann Franklin, City Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney