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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE relating to grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation for the construction of the Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line project; authorizing the Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation to accept specified grants and execute related agreements for and on behalf of the City; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, the Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line project was first identified in the City of Seattle’s Transit

Master Plan in 2012, entered project development in 2014, was partially funded through voter approval of the Levy to Move Seattle in November 2015, and completed environmental review in early 2018; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) has determined that the Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line project has met Capital Investment Grants, Small Starts grant program (“Small Starts”) project readiness requirements (technical capacity, firm and final cost estimate, all funding committed, completed critical 3<sup>rd</sup> party agreements) and, after a thorough evaluation, granted the project an overall “high” rating; and

WHEREAS, based on this determination of project readiness and the high rating, USDOT’s Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has allocated \$59.9 million in Capital Investments Grants funds to the City of Seattle for the Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line project; and

WHEREAS, Puget Sound Regional Council awarded the City \$4.760 million in USDOT Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for the Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line project; and

WHEREAS, the Small Starts grant requires execution of a Small Starts Construction Grant Agreement with USDOT and both grants must be accepted by the City; and

WHEREAS, these funds were previously appropriated in the adopted 2021 Budget (Ordinance 126237) and shown in the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program (Project Number MC-TR-C051) spending of these grant funds are expected to begin in the second quarter of 2021, requiring immediate authorization to complete a grant agreement with FTA; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation is authorized to accept the following non-City funding from the grantor listed below, and to execute, deliver, and perform agreements for the purposes described below.

Item	Fund	Grantor	Purpose	Amount
1.1	Transportation Fund (13000)	USDOT - Capital Investment Grants, Small Starts	Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line construction	\$59,900,000
1.2	Transportation Fund (13000)	USDOT - CMAQ	Madison BRT-RapidRide G Line construction	\$4,760,000
	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$64,660,000</b>

Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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