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March 15, 2022

Jack Bradley Mayor City of Lorain 200 W. Erie Avenue-7th Floor Lorain, OH 44052

Dear Mayor Bradley,

Congratulations! On March 11, 2022, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) Board of Directors approved funding for the West Erie Avenue Road Diet project through the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI) Implementation program.

NOACA will provide 100% of the eligible costs, up to a maximum of \$269,000, utilizing Toll Revenue Credits to meet Federal Matching requirements. Please note that TLCI Implementation program funds are only allowable for construction related expenses. Preliminary engineering and design phase related costs are the responsibility of the project sponsor. NOACA staff will work with you to determine appropriate milestone dates for the project.

NOACA received a total of 17 applications for the 2022 program, requesting about \$8.1 million in funding. This year there was \$1.8 million in available TLCI program funds for projects, resulting in a highly competitive selection process.

Attached to this communication are the next steps to be undertaken to properly program your project for implementation. Please contact Jim Thompson, Senior Planner, at 216-241-2414 extension 275, or jthompson@mpo.noaca.org, if you have any questions.

On behalf of NOACA, we are excited to advance your project and look forward to a collaborative and meaningful working relationship.



Executive Director

CC: Matt Lundy, Lorain County Commissioner; Veronica Newsome, Engineer III, City of Lorain;

Attachments: Sponsor Partnership Responsibilities; TLCI Project Programming **Next Steps**

NOACA 2022 Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI) Sponsor Partnership Responsibilities

Sponsor Agency: Lorain

Project(s):

Project Name	NOACA Funding	Work Phase	SFY
W. Erie Ave. Road Diet	\$269,000 (100% TLCI)	Construction	2023

The sponsor shall work with NOACA as a partner in the development and implementation of the stated project(s). To ensure NOACA program objectives are being met, NOACA participation and approval is required for each activity listed below. If these conditions are not met, NOACA reserves the right to cancel this agreement and withdraw or reduce its funding commitment.

- 1. NOACA participation in the project kick off/scope meeting between the sponsor, its consultants, ODOT, and other stakeholders (as applicable).
- 2. NOACA participation in any formed project steering and stakeholder committee, inclusive of agenda setting and schedule of meetings (if applicable).
- 3. NOACA review and approval of the original, and any proposed modifications to, project scope of services, delivery milestone dates, and staged design plans.
- 4. NOACA participation in and approval of the project public engagement and involvement process and related materials.
- 5. NOACA participation in and approval of Media, press releases and other widespread external communications and events regarding the project.

NOACA will provide timely coordination and review in the issuance of any comments and approval of these items in its role as project partner.

After we receive your signed acknowledgement of Sponsor Partnership Responsibilities, NOACA will work with the appropriate state and federal agencies to program the project in the TIP for the stated funding amount and indicated year of implementation.

Authorized Agency Representative	Date
Grace Gallucci, Executive Director, NOACA	Date