



**TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF KERRVILLE, TEXAS**

**SUBJECT:** Resolutions Regarding the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Application. (Three items will be presented together.)

1.) Resolution No. 24-2021. A Resolution supporting the City of Kerrville's application to the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program call for projects. Kerrville Tom Daniels Elementary School.

2.) Resolution No. 25-2021. A Resolution supporting the City of Kerrville's application to the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program call for projects Kerrville Tally Elementary School.

3.) Resolution No. 26-2021. A Resolution supporting the City of Kerrville's application to the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program call for projects. Kerrville Hwy. 16 & Hwy. 98 Pedestrian & Traffic Improvements.

**AGENDA DATE OF:** May 25, 2021      **DATE SUBMITTED:** May 13, 2021

**SUBMITTED BY:** Megan Folkerts

**EXHIBITS:** [20210525\\_Resolution\\_XX EXAMPLE Transportation Alternatives grant appl to TxDOT.pdf](#)  
[20210525\\_Resolution\\_24-2021 TxDOT sidewalks Tom Daniels Elementary.pdf](#)  
[20210525\\_Resolution\\_25-2021 TxDOT sidewalks Tally Elementary.pdf](#)  
[20210525\\_Resolution\\_26-2021 TxDOT Hwy 16 pedestrian and traffic improvements.pdf](#)

<b>Expenditure Required:</b>	<b>Remaining Budget Balance in Account:</b>	<b>Amount Budgeted:</b>	<b>Account Number:</b>
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

**PAYMENT TO BE MADE TO:** n/a

<b>Kerrville 2050 Item?</b>	Yes
<b>Key Priority Area</b>	M - Mobility / Transportation
<b>Guiding Principle</b>	M1. Promote a safe, reliable, sustainable and affordable

transportation system

**Action Item**

M1.4 - Explore a variety of options, including bonds, to fund the construction of needed transportation improvements

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**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

On January 15, 2021, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) opened its 2021 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Call for Projects for local governments and other project sponsors throughout the state. The 2021 Call for Projects provides funding for a variety of alternative transportation projects, including bicycle infrastructure improvements, shared use paths, sidewalk improvements, and infrastructure-related projects to improve safety for non-motorized transportation and features a two-step application process. The first step includes a preliminary application with high-level project information to determine eligibility and potential project issues followed by the second step consisting of a detailed application with more comprehensive project information.

The City hired Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to analyze pedestrian and traffic improvements along State Highway 16 (Sidney Baker) and Loop 98 (Thompson Drive) to prepare and submit the preliminary application. The initial scope of the project included a structural analysis of the Sidney Baker bridge spanning the Guadalupe River required by TxDOT and providing multiple conceptual options based on the analysis. Staff and the consultant coordinated with TxDOT staff to review the structural analysis and submitted the preliminary application for funding.

The initial project funding was \$10.5 million to be distributed across the entire State of Texas. A total of 190 preliminary applications from 127 unique entities, totaling more than \$230 million in funding requests were received. As a result of the submitted responses for the 2021 Call for Projects, TxDOT anticipates identifying up to \$45 million worth of federal funds to be allocated for these projects.

The City of Kerrville's preliminary application was approved by TxDOT to move forward with the detailed application and includes proposed improvements to fill sidewalk gaps, correct existing deficiencies identified in TxDOT's TCAP Toolbox, and install curb ramps along SH 16 (from Lehmann Dr to Water St), SL 98 (from FM 394 to SH 16), Wesley Dr, Cully Dr, and Hill Country Dr. This project would also include traffic signal improvements to accommodate pedestrians. The proposed project is estimated to cost \$3.6 million with improvements intended to improve the safety and mobility of pedestrians within the area and enhance connectivity between key destinations such as the US Post Office, Peterson Regional Medical Center, HEB, Louise Hays Park, and River Hills Mall to Downtown.

Additionally, the City submitted two additional preliminary applications that were also approved to proceed to the detailed application phase. These projects were previously submitted as part of the 2019 Safe Routes to School Call for Projects and identified as the Tally Elementary School application and the Tom Daniels Elementary School application.

The Tally ES scope included construction of sidewalks to fill in the gaps along both sides of Goat Creek Rd (FM 1338) from Smith Rd to Stephanie Rd as well as ADA compliant

wheelchair ramps and connections to existing crosswalks with an estimated cost of \$528,000.

The Tom Daniels ES application included construction of a 6-ft wide sidewalk to fill in the gaps along both sides of Olympic Dr from the end of the existing road north of San Jacinto Dr to existing sidewalk at Tom Daniels Elementary School in addition to both sides of Singing Wind Drive from Deer Trail to Bridle Path; and constructing a 10-ft shared use path along the west side of Loop 534 (Veterans Hwy) from Legion Dr. to the future Olympic Drive extension near Tivy High School in Kerrville, TX. Pavement markings and 5-foot wide bicycle lanes with signage were to be included along Singing Wind. Crosswalks on Singing Wind will be relocated from mid-block to Bow & Singing Wind and at Olympic. The Tom Daniels ES project cost was estimated at approximately \$2.2 million. Each project will be revisited as part of the 2021 Call for Projects to be updated for pricing and construction project completion to date such as the opening of the Olympic Drive extension.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Authorize City Manager and Mayor to finalize and execute Resolution Nos. 24-2021, 25-2021, and 26-2021 to satisfy any necessary TxDOT application requirements.