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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: October 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-14-22: **"Adopting the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide"**

The proposed Resolution T-14-22 will adopt an update to the MORPC Technical Assistance Program Guide for the next round of services. The Technical Assistance Program (TA Program) provides MORPC staff assistance to local government members within the boundary of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to advance the goals in the MTP through implementation of specific MTP strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit infrastructure.

The Program Guide is reviewed on a regular basis, in alignment with each new round of technical assistance services. This provides the opportunity to make necessary changes to address the most current needs of the region and our local communities. Minor tweaks were made to the Program Guide for 2023, with the most significant changes incorporating new service types available for applicants.

The 2023 Program Guide will apply to the 2023 round of technical assistance services. An application window will be opened on Thursday, November 10th for eligible MORPC members to apply for the services established in the 2023 Program Guide.

Since the inception of the TA Program, Several Central Ohio communities have received MORPC staff assistance to complete various planning and policy development efforts. More information about these past services, as well as the current program, can be found on the MORPC website at: www.morpc.org/program-service/technical-assistance-program.

Attachment: Resolution T-14-22

RESOLUTION T-14-22

“Adopting the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide”

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) includes strategies for implementing active transportation and transit supportive infrastructure throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the MORPC Technical Assistance Program has provided technical assistance to eligible local government members since 2017 to advance planning that supports active transportation modes; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide continues previously offered technical assistance services and establishes new services; and

WHEREAS, the primary tenet of the Technical Assistance Program is to assist communities in implementing MTP System Management and System Development strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit, including strategies as listed in the Program Guide; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting recommended approval of this resolution; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Section 1. That it adopts the attached MORPC 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide.
- Section 2. That it directs staff to conduct a process to select activities for technical assistance in accordance with the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide.
- Section 3. That the Technical Assistance Program Guide will be reviewed and evaluated ahead of each application round and be modified as warranted.
- Section 4. That this committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this committee.

Erik Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Programming Staff

Attachment: MORPC 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide