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WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council, comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy board associated with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council is anticipated to award funding on May 8, 2025, for projects through the Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas is fully eligible to receive assistance under these programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas intends to submit Transportation Alternatives project applications for the Cotton Belt Trail and the Marni Kaner Trail projects to the North Central Texas Council of Governments prior to the January 17, 2025, deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Cotton Belt Trail and Marni Kaner Trail Projects will utilize grant funds received as a result of a successful application to Governments 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Call for Projects. The local match is being provided through the use of Transportation Development Credits; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to authorize an application for the North Central Texas Council of Governments 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Call for Projects **(a)** in an amount not to exceed \$5,700,000.00 North Central Texas Council of Governments for the Cotton Belt Trail located between Davenport Road and Preston Green Park (6900 Duffield Drive), and **(b)** in an amount not to exceed \$837,000.00 for the Marni Kaner Trail located between the Cotton Belt Trail Corridor and the current terminus of the trail east of Davenport Road.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the Park and Recreation Board and the City Manager are hereby authorized to apply for the NCTCOG 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Call for Projects **(a)** in an amount of up to \$6,537,000.00 from the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the Cotton Belt Trail located between Davenport Road and Preston Green Park (\$5,700,000.00) and **(b)** in an amount not to exceed \$837,000.00 for the Marni Kaner Trail located between the Cotton Belt Trail Corridor and the current terminus of the trail east of Davenport Road Projects in North Dallas, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 2. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby certifies that it is eligible to receive assistance under these programs, and that notice of the application will be posted according to local public hearing requirements.

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SECTION 3. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby authorizes and directs the Dallas Park & Recreation Department to act for the City of Dallas in dealing with the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the purposes of the program, and that the Director or his or her designee is hereby officially designated as the representative in this regard.

SECTION 4. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby specifically authorizes the Park & Recreation Department to make application to the NCTCOG 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Call for Projects to facilitate the Cotton Belt Trail and Marni Kaner Trail.

SECTION 5. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby certifies that it is eligible to receive assistance under these programs, and that notice of the application will be posted according to local public hearing requirements.

SECTION 6. That it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Dallas, Texas that all operating funds required for the Cotton Belt Trail and Marni Kaner Trail project be appropriated and funded as needed for operating costs.

SECTION 7. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to reimburse the granting agency any expenditure identified as ineligible. The City Manager shall notify the appropriate City Council Committee of expenditures identified as eligible not later than 30 days after the reimbursement.

SECTION 8. That it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Dallas, Texas that these funds required to develop the Cotton Belt Trail and Marni Kaner Trail be appropriated and funded as needed.

SECTION 9. That the City Manager shall keep the appropriate City Council Committee informed of all final granting agency monitoring reports not later than 30 days after the receipt of the report.

SECTION 10. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.