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December 2, 2020

Mr. Nicholas Hutchinson, City Engineer City of Ann Arbor Public Services Area/Engineering 301 East Huron Street P.O. Box 8647 Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107

Dear Mr. Hutchinson:

Project Name: Hill Street Control Section: HSIP 81000 Job Number: 211925

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is pleased to inform you that the subject project has been approved for federal funding in the 2022 fiscal year (FY). All agencies were previously notified by telephone and approved projects are posted on MDOT's website at www.michigan.gov/mdot.

Control Section: HSIP 81000 - Job Number: 211925 Safety Improvement Project Approved Amount: \$143,205

Federal Participation: \$128,884.50

Project Name: Hill Street

Project Limits: Hill Street from State Street to Washtenaw Avenue

Work Description: In-street pedestrian signing, enhanced crosswalk markings, positive contrast street

lighting at pedestrian crossings, enhanced intersection Stop signing with reflective post sheeting

This project will be funded with 90 percent federal funds. Unless otherwise approved in writing by MDOT at the time of obligation, the federally participating project costs for the 2022 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) are limited to the project costs submitted with the application and listed above, plus the lesser of an increase of 20 percent or \$20,000 above the total project cost. The maximum amount of federal funds allowed for this project is \$600,000 for the construction phase let to contract, as long as the above listed limits are not exceeded.

Preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and right-of-way costs are not eligible for reimbursement. Nonparticipating construction items of work may be included in the overall project estimate, but are not reimbursable for federal funding. Items such as decorative lighting, brick sidewalks, street pavers, or any items that are not safety related in nature are not eligible for federal aid. These items will be reviewed once the preliminary plans are developed.

Funds for this project must be obligated in FY 2022. Federal funds cannot be obligated until the following steps have been completed (links to forms can be located at www.michigan.gov/mdotlap):

- Environmental/historical clearance (NEPA) is approved
- The Program Application has been completed (Form 0260)
- GI meeting has been held
- Permits are obtained and included in the project approval
- Right-of-way issues are cleared and approved

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• Final plans are submitted and approved

MDOT has programmed the selected project into JobNet for the area's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the fiscal year for which the project was selected. Local Agencies within Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) areas must coordinate with their MPO to ensure approval of their project in the TIP.

Provided MDOT has obligation authority remaining, HSIP funds will be obligated up through August 31, 2022. Therefore, to ensure funds are obligated prior to this date, it is imperative that the project's final package is completed and submitted to MDOT by August 13, 2022. Once posted, the Local Agency Programs FY 2022 Project Planning Guide can be accessed at www.michigan.gov/mdotlap and contains the milestone dates required for a GI submittal in order to obligate your project for the fiscal year. If your local agency wishes to obligate and construct your project prior to the fiscal year for which it was selected, they may do so by utilizing the advance construct process. The Local Agency is responsible for ensuring the project is listed in the (S)TIP for both fiscal years (the year obligated and the year federal funds are converted).

Every effort has been given to maintain a fiscally constrained program and maximize the use of limited available funds. Projects will be handled on a first come, first served basis, so please make every effort to stay on schedule.

If your project is not obligated in FY 2022, MDOT may elect to retract approved funding and you will be required to resubmit your project under a future call. If a project has received prior written approval to be carried over to FY 2023, the agency will be scored significantly lower on subsequent project submittals for two years. Funding for any 2022 project not obligated by FY 2023 will be rescinded. Any changes in the scope of work or significant changes in project cost which cannot be justified will be denied.

Please send the programming application form, NEPA form, GI package and final plans electronically to BlazoP@Michigan.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact Pamela Blazo, Safety Programs Engineer, at (517) 335-2224 or BlazoP@Michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

Pamela R. Blazo, Safety Engineer

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