

ORDINANCE NO. 111, 2023
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SMART GRANTS PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF
THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS ELECTRIC VEHICLE FLEET

WHEREAS, the City's 2018 EV Readiness Roadmap and 2019 Municipal Sustainability and Adaptation Plan both list building out the City's electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure as a critical component to achieving the City's climate goals; and

WHEREAS, the City does not currently have a way to centrally control, track and manage use of the City's many EVs and EV chargers; and

WHEREAS, in late 2022 the City applied for a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the USDOT has awarded the City \$1,059,037 (the "Grant") to fund a project to create a municipal fleet electrification standard framework and deploy software to manage all City-owned EV charging locations, so that City EVs can be charged during times of lower energy demand, reducing the cost to charge them (the "SMART Grid Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Grant does not require the City to dedicate matching funds to the SMART Grid Project; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of supporting the City's Climate Action Plan, which aims to reduce community greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2050; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, to make a supplemental appropriation by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriation, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, do not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to designate in the ordinance when appropriating funds for a federal, state or private grant, that such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year in which the appropriation is made, but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the federal, state or private grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant or donation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to designate the appropriation herein from the U.S. Department of Transportation SMART Grants Program as an appropriation that shall not lapse until the earlier of the expiration of the Grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from new revenue or other funds in the General Fund the sum of ONE MILLION FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND THIRTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$1,059,037) to be expended in the General Fund for the City of Fort Collins Electric Vehicle Fleet SMART Grid Project.

Section 3. That the appropriation herein from the U.S. Department of Transportation SMART Grants Program is hereby designated, as authorized in Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter, as an appropriation that shall not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the Grant or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such Grant.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 5th day of September, 2023, and to be presented for final passage on the 19th day of September, 2023.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 19th day of September, 2023.

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