



Department Source: City Manager

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 20, 2017

Re: Memorandum of Understanding between PedNet Coalition and the City of Columbia as it relates to the Vision Zero project.

## Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Columbia and PedNet Coalition to allow PedNet to disperse a portion of funds from their Missouri Foundation for Health Grant (MFHG), to the City of Columbia as it relates to the Vision Zero project; and to appropriate those funds as described below. The Executive Director of PedNet Coalition approves of this MOU and it meets requirements outlined in their MFHG grant.

## Discussion

Passage of this ordinance will authorize the City Manager to sign a MOU with PedNet Coalition to outline the roles of each partner as it relates to providing financial support for salaries and training for one year, for two current full-time employees of the City of Columbia. The City of Columbia and PedNet have committed to future discussions of other roles and responsibilities relating to the Vision Zero project and further financial support through the Missouri Foundation for Health Grant funding being provided to the City of Columbia by PedNet Coalition, which will be outlined in a separate MOU at a later time.

As described in the MOU, PedNet Coalition will provide the City of Columbia funding in the amount of \$25,000 from their Missouri Foundation for Health Grant. This will support pay increases and training for two (2) current full-time employees of the City of Columbia who will be taking on additional duties and responsibilities relating to the Vision Zero project. This funding will be a one-time payment to provide financial support from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 and will be provided in a single payment. For FY 2017 \$18,721 will be appropriated and the remaining \$6,279 will be appropriated through the FY 2018 budget process.

The City of Columbia will provide one staff member (Assistant to the City Manager) to serve as Vision Zero Project Manager and will oversee the Vision Zero Action Plan (in addition to existing duties). The Action Plan will be provided to the City Council by the City Manager, by April 30, 2017. This funding will cover an additional .25 time for this FTE employee. The Project Manager will assist the City Manager with creating the Vision Zero Action Plan and will then oversee execution of that plan with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries by 2030.

The City of Columbia will provide one staff member (Engineering Manager) who will provide traffic engineering expertise as it relates to this effort (in addition to existing duties). Duties



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may include: review of traffic calming projects, infrastructure projects, neighborhood traffic requests, etc.) This funding will cover an additional .10 time for this FTE employee.

Beginning January 1, 2018, all necessary training and salary expenses for these additional duties will be provided by the City of Columbia for the Vision Zero Project for a minimum of two years.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: All salary and training expenses related to the Vision Zero project for these two existing employees does not exceed \$25,000 and is fully reimbursed by the funding to be received by PedNet Coalition. This reimbursement covers one year of assistance, after which the City of Columbia agrees to continue salary increases for these two positions for a minimum of two years in order to continue a successful implementation of the Vision Zero Action Plan. Salary and benefit increases for these employees does not exceed \$20,894 annually.

Long-Term Impact: The continued salary and training for staff may continue long-term in an effort to continue a successful Vision Zero Action Plan implementation long-term.

## Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

### Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Transportation, Secondary Impact: Governance & Decision Making, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Operational Excellence

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

## Legislative History

Date	Action
12/19/16	City Council adopted PR178-16A, to adopt a "Vision Zero" Policy; setting a goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries in Columbia by 2030.

## Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends passage of the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign the MOU and appropriate related funds.