

TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC WORKS

Federal Mobility Grants Update

City Council Mobility Committee

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Overview of Recent Executive Orders



- Timeline of Actions
 - o Jan. 20 EO, Jan. 27 OMB Memorandum
 - o Jan. 28 OMB rescission, Jan. 31 TRO, Feb. 3 TRO
 - Feb. 10 Ruling of noncompliance
- City staff is reviewing current and pending funding agreements against administration's goals
- Legal precedent to give Congress authority on spending
- Awarded, executed grants may be on stronger footing, pending grants in question
- Expect in some cases federal agencies will comply with administration's goals when conflict

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City of Austin's Response



- Continue all ongoing grant administration and application activities.
- Staff continues to monitor and advise leadership and departments as new information becomes available
- Pending Federal Funding Grants Closely Monitored
 - \$102 million I-35 Cap and Stitch Project
 - \$32 million Barton Springs Road Bridge
 - \$10 million Safe Streets and Roads for All

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Transportation and Public Works (TPW) Grant Overview

- Over \$230 million in awarded federal grants
- Strong collaboration with partners such as TxDOT,
 CapMetro, and CAMPO to secure and administer funding
- Grants support **key transportation and mobility projects**, including:
 - Cap and stitch efforts
 - Bridge reconstruction
 - Urban trails and shared use-paths
 - Safe Routes to School
 - Vision Zero enhancements
 - Mobility hubs





Grant and Earmark Status

Awarded Grants

- No stop work orders or notices of fund cancellations or terminations received
- Agreement execution discussions to resume after the Executive Order 90-day review period (ending April 20, 2025)

Pending Grants

Actively submitting applications and seeking new opportunities

Earmarks

- Not Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) or Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding
- Not impacted by current Executive Orders

Awarded Discretionary Grants (since 2022)



FY	Grant	Award Amount	Granting Entity	Impacted by EO	Status
2024	Climate Pollution Reduction Grant	\$47,854,062	EPA	Yes	Grant Agreement Executed
2024	Bridge Investment Program - Barton Springs Road Bridge	\$32,000,000	USDOT - FHWA	Yes	Awaiting agreement with USDOT
2024	Safe Streets and Roads for All	\$10,456,068	USDOT - FHWA	Yes	Awaiting agreement with USDOT
2023	Neighborhood Access and Equity (NAE) Grant	\$105,200,000	USDOT - FHWA	Yes	Awaiting agreement with USDOT
2023	MetroBike Grant - TxDOT TASA	\$11,293,301	TxDOT	No	Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT Executed
2022	Safe Streets and Roads for All	\$22,866,400	USDOT - FHWA	Yes	Grant Agreement Executed
2022	Reconnecting Communities Pilot	\$1,120,000	USDOT - FHWA	Yes	Grant Agreement Executed

Total \$230,789,831

Pending Discretionary Grants



Grant	Granting Entity	Notes	
Bloomberg Asphalt Art Initiative	Bloomberg Philanthropies		
Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant (formerly RAISE)	USDOT		
CAMPO Transportation Alternatives Set- Aside Grants	CAMPO	 Four Grants: Safe Routes to School Projects Pleasant Valley Road Transit Enhancement Signal Detection and CCTV Cameras Smart Corridor Initiative 	
Low-Carbon Transportation Materials Grant	USDOT - FHWA		

In Progress: TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program, 2025

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Earmarks

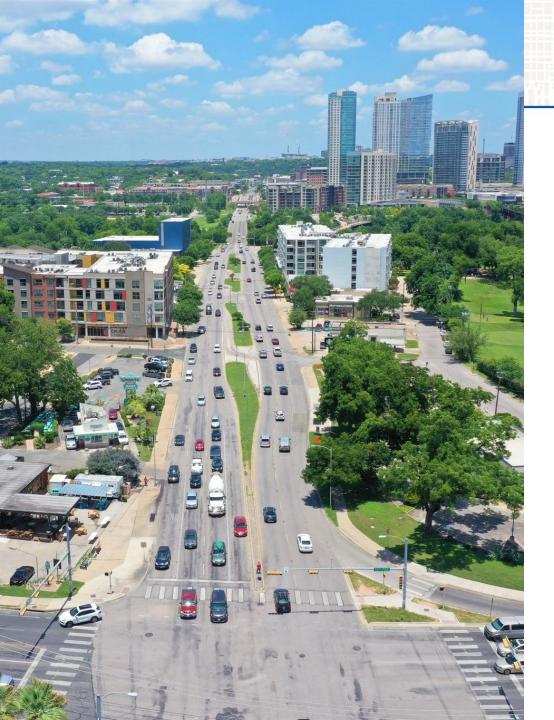
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FY	Earmark Project	Award Amount	Congressperson
2024	Wishbone Bridge near Longhorn Dam	\$4,116,279	Rep. Casar
2024	Bergstrom Spur West	\$4,116,279	Rep. Doggett
2024	Bergstrom Spur Central	\$500,000	Rep. Casar
2023	Northern Walnut Creek Trail – Phase 3	\$5,000,000	Rep. Doggett
2022	MoKan Corridor Trail	\$1,000,000	Rep. Doggett
2022	Cap & Stitch Study	\$1,500,000	Rep. Doggett

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\$16,232,558





Next Steps

- 1. Ongoing Monitoring: Continuously assessing the effects of recent Executive Orders.
- **2. Adaptive Planning:** Preparing to adjust project approach as needed.
- **3. Collaborative Approach:** Working with mobility partners to evaluate grant impacts.
- **4. Status Updates:** Collecting information on external mobility programs and sharing updates with Committee members.



Questions?