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Study Name	Painesville Complete Street and Connectivity Plan
Total Project Cost	85,000.00
NOACA Funding Requested	85,000.00
Local Funding Committed	0.00
Brief project description (250 Word Limit)	The purpose of the Painesville Complete Street and Connectivity Plan is to evaluate the existing transportation network and the needs of the current and future stakeholders along the Washington Street Corridor extending north along South State Street into the Central Business District and east along East Main Street into Kiwanis Recreation Park/Riverfront District. The goal of the planning study is to obtain input and develop a complete street in accordance with the needs of the major stakeholders and the community. There is the potential for a great deal of growth along Washington Street Corridor and we are focused on creating a plan that will assist the City in revitalizing the area through the creation of transit initiatives that promote walking, biking, public transit ridership in conjunction with driving. Our goal is to improve our residents overall quality of life and provide safer and easier connectivity from Lake Erie College to Kiwanis Recreation Park and all places in between. The development and eventual implementation of the plan will help strengthen the link from Lake Erie College and the Lake MetroParks Greenway Corridor to the Central Business District and Recreation Park/Riverfront District. The plan will also examine how to facilitate the goals of the Central Lake County Lakefront Connectivity Plan. These connections will improve the quality of life of the region by providing safe access and opportunities for a healthy and more active lifestyle.
Proposed Study Components	Traffic Analysis Redevelopment Planning Bicycle Transportation Planning Pedestrian Transportation Planning

<p>1. How does the proposed study meet the first and sixth TLCI objectives and advance NOACA's regional goals? (14 points)</p>	<p>The establishment of diverse travel options that are safe and provide connectivity through a complete street network is key to successful transportation and community planning. By providing a variety of safe and reliable transportation options, it allows residents and students to choose the best option for themselves. At the present time, the Washington Street Corridor is overbuilt and underutilized. By studying what the residents, cyclists and students want, it will enable the City to develop a plan that improves their quality of life, health and provides for safe travels. The plan will focus on creating a safe and accessible connection from the Lake Erie College to Recreation Park, Grand River Conservation Area and the Riverfront. The locations in between must also be evaluated due to large vacant parcels of land that are expected to be redeveloped in the near future. Lake Erie College owns a 6.21 acre parcel adjacent to their campus and is proposing to construct new student housing. The City of Painesville owns the Former Lake East Hospital Site which is approximately 8 acres. These two areas encompass a two block area between the college and downtown. We are currently working with developers on a high density residential development with limited parking. Given the potential for the development, it is imperative that the planning study take into consideration the proposed land uses. Our objective is to develop a complete street that would provide connectivity and enhance the quality of life for all those living along the corridor by providing safe and reliable transportation choices.</p>
<p>2. How does the proposed study meet the second TLCI objective and advance NOACA's regional goal? (14 points)</p>	<p>A diverse multi-modal transportation system is very important for reinvestment and enhances opportunities for the redevelopment of vacant and abandoned properties. As stated above, the City of Painesville owns approximately 8 acres that served as the former site of the Lake East Hospital. The City of Painesville received Clean Ohio Funds to demolish the buildings and parking structures and prepare them for development. The property has sat vacant for over four years. The City of Painesville issued an RFQ for development of the site and is currently talking with developers about developing high density single family and townhouses adjacent to the Central Business District. Prior to development, we are focused on putting a plan in place that will determine the transportation needs from Washington Street to South State Street to Recreation Park and the Riverfront. A Complete Street that is multi-modal in nature will enhance development opportunities for the developers/builders and assist us in attracting new residents who value various modes of transportation. The complete street will integrate streetscape elements that go hand-in-hand with new residential and commercial development. Providing the ability to walk, cycle, utilize public transit in conjunction with driving is imperative and encourages improved health. The City of Painesville needs the planning study to take into consideration the needs of the underutilized properties and develop a plan that will enhance safety as well as offering healthy alternatives to driving.</p>

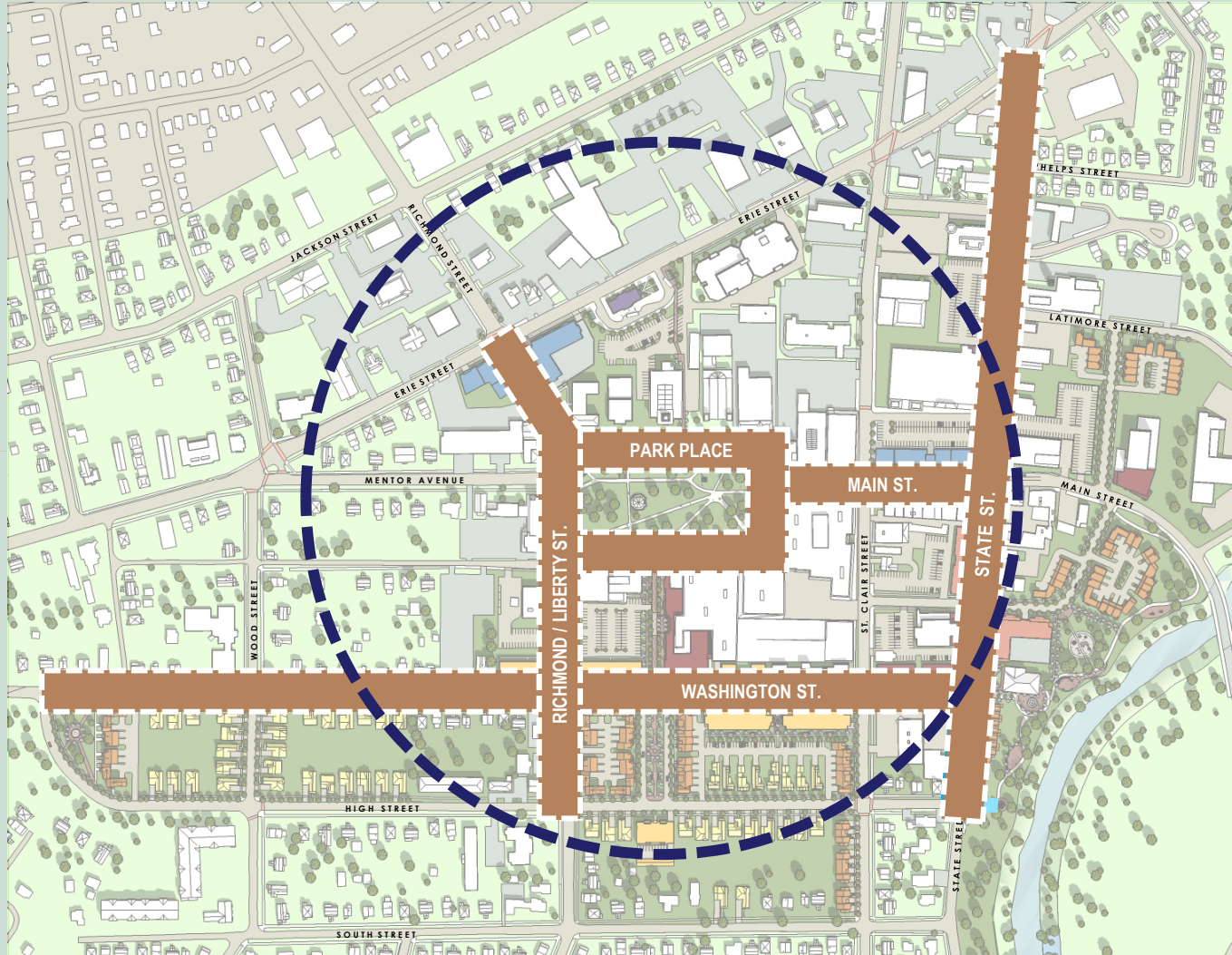
<p>3. How does the proposed study meet the third TLCI objective and advance NOACA's regional goals? (14 points)</p>	<p>Through this project the City is proactively planning for future growth in a sustainable manner that preserves existing infrastructure and supports future development. The concepts within the planning process will support, similar to our overall downtown plans, a place-based transportation network. The planning study will analyze the number of lanes, traffic counts, projected traffic, existing infrastructure, multi-modal needs, and development and future planned development to determine multi-modal options, how to integrate green space, landscaping, amenities, lighting, sidewalks, benches and bicycle racks, cross-walks, stripping of lanes and on-street parking configurations. It will be necessary to make projections in order to determine future land uses. This project will focus on developing a complete street network with safe multi-modal options to create a better sense of place and encourage healthy lifestyles. The corridor was originally designed for vehicular traffic and buses and we need to examine how best to develop the corridor and provide connections from Lake Erie College to the Central Business District to Recreation Park/Riverfront District. A major objective of the study is to attract students from Lake Erie College to the Central Business District. Providing multi-modal options and enhancing the streetscape will give a better sense of place and enhance future development opportunities.</p>
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<p>4. How does the proposed study meet the fourth TICI objective and advance NOACA's regional goals? (14 points)</p>	<p>Through the planning process, we will strategically evaluate transportation and development to foster sustainability and achieve a unified vision for enhanced multi-modal transportation based on set objectives from the 2010 Painesville Transportation and Streetscape Plan which includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) facilitate accessibility by improving the range of transportation choices by adding or improving pedestrian, transit or bicycle facilities; 2) reduce air and water pollution through best management practices; 3) encourage fuel and energy conservation; 4) promote healthier communities through planning and environmental linkages from an integrated transportation perspective; 5) preserve and enhance open space; 6) assist in redevelopment of the urban core; 7) enhance the historic, archeological, scenic and environmental elements of the transportation system; and 8) improve the safety and efficiency of the existing transportation system. <p>The proposed planning effort will address each of the items listed above - from determining the best mix of transportation options to promoting a healthier community by improving existing linkages. Our goal is to emerge with a complete street and connectivity plan that ensures sustainability and a strong multi-modal transportation system that will meet current and future community needs of the community. In keeping with the recommendations that result from this planning process, it will enhance our community and improve quality of life within Painesville.</p>
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<p>5. How does the proposed study meet the fifth TLCI objective and advance NOACA's regional goal? (14 points)</p>	<p>Working closely with key stakeholders such as Lake Erie College, Lake MetroParks, Downtown Business Merchants, the Washington Street Historic District, potential developers, and the community, the City of Painesville plans on is taking a proactive approach to strategically plan for its future. This project will allow us to identify the needs of all stakeholders and weigh their comments to better achieve our mutual goals and objectives. Based on this, we will work with the consultant to develop options and narrow down the recommendation. It is important that we obtain input into the process in order to successfully create a complete street that enhances connectivity. A major goal throughout this process is to establish momentum toward new investment that restores, rediscovers and re-engages the various pieces that make up the greater whole to allow Painesville to become much more. This planning effort will also allow the City of Painesville and stakeholders to work together to obtain private and public funding to implement the recommendations. Working together facilitates ownership in the overall project - from the construction of new student housing to expansion of the Lake MetroParks trail to Recreation Park and the Riverfront. This combined planning effort will result in a complete street focused on multi-modal transportation that serves as a regional interconnect. The relationships that are developed from this planning process will also enable us to work together on other projects within the region.</p>
<p>6. How will the sponsor manage the study, and ultimately deliver the projects it recommends?</p>	<p>The City of Painesville will work with NOACA to identify qualified engineering consultants to assist with the planning effort and coordinate all technical requirements. Staff will identify individuals from the various stakeholder groups and invite them to serve as a steering committee. The purpose will be to provide direction in order to obtain the most comprehensive input as possible. Staff and the consultant will conduct a number of public meetings to educate and obtain input. The consultant will take the information from the Steering Committee and the public input from the meeting and put together recommendations. We will roll out the final recommendations to the public and solicit comments on the plan. The final planning document will be utilized for future implementation. We envision that the management of the project will be similar to prior TLCI planning efforts that have been undertaken by the City of Painesville -- Painesville Downtown Master Plan and the Downtown Painesville Transportation and Streetscape Plan. Doug Lewis, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director, managed those studies and will do so for this study as well.</p>

<p>7. What is the sponsor's experience in managing a TICI or TICI-like public planning process?</p>	<p>The City of Painesville has managed prior TICI planning processes and we envision that the management of the project will be similar. Prior TICI projects we have managed include the Painesville Downtown Master Plan and the Downtown Painesville Transportation and Streetscape Plan. Doug Lewis, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director, managed those studies and will do so for this study as well.</p>
<p>Local Match Funding Level</p>	<p>No local match</p>
<p>Attachment 1: Council/Board resolution to apply for TICI Planning Study and, if applicable, to fund local match</p>	<p>https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/2496909/46336346/356318619/46336346_cert_resolution.pdf</p>
<p>Attachment 3: Map of proposed project study area</p>	<p>https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/2496909/46336347/356318619/46336347_maps.pdf</p>
<p>Attachment 5: Additional Letters of Support (from non-government organizations, etc.)</p>	<p>https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/2496909/46336348/356318619/46336348_dpo_support_letter.pdf</p>
<p>Are you submitting more than one TICI Planning Study application?</p>	<p>No</p>
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Creating a Connected Street Network



Our goal: Create multi-modal connections via:

- The Greenway
- The Riverfront Corridor
- Veteran's Park

to achieve a unified infrastructure network that supports Painesville's future.

Each of the five streets within this planning study have a unique character and role within Downtown Painesville.

From a pedestrian perspective, Downtown is encompassed within a ¼ miles radius – 5 minute walk – from Veteran's Park