

## SPARKING NEW LIFE INTO MAINE'S STAR CITY PROJECT

### **FUNDING COMMITMENT DOCUMENTATION**

MaineDOT and the City of Presque Isle are committed to fully funding their match portions of Project costs, including any additional costs that may exceed the estimated Project cost.

MaineDOT is very experienced working with the U.S. Department of Transportation to fund, construct, manage, and complete Federally funded infrastructure projects.

The following funding commitment letters are included in this section:

1. Maine Department of Transportation
2. City of Presque Isle



The Honorable Secretary of Transportation  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**RE: Maine Department of Transportation's application to fund the *Sparkling New Life into Maine's Star City Project* under the FY 2025 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program**

Dear Secretary

The City of Presque Isle is writing in support of MaineDOT and City of Presque Isle's funding request to FY 2025 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant. The *Sparkling New Life into Maine's Star City Project* ("Project") consists of significantly improving multimodal infrastructure and increasing safe access to businesses along Main Street/U.S. Route 1 through downtown Presque Isle. The Project is part of MaineDOT's Village Partnership Initiative.

The City of Presque Isle is a significant regional service center in rural northern Maine. U.S. Route 1, which bisects downtown, has long been the sole freight route in the region, serving the area's important forestry, agriculture, and military industries and is a vital trade lane with Canada. Because of growing freight and regional traffic, the city's downtown transportation infrastructure experiences significant deterioration and contributes to unsafe conditions for users of all transportation modes.

The Project includes:

- Redesigning numerous streets to include safe traffic calming features, sidewalks, and crosswalks;
- Repaving or rebuilding roadways, sidewalks, and pathways to address structural deficiencies; and
- Reconfiguring a dangerous five-way intersection to reduce crashes and increase multimodal safety.

The City of Presque Isle has committed \$3,070,000.00 non-federal match towards the MaineDOT's RAISE Grant application *Sparkling New Life into Maine's Star City Project*. The City of Presque Isle has the funds available for its portion of the non-federal match of this project.

Sincerely,

Tyler Brown,  
City Manager