

February 26, 2026

Office of the City Clerk
City of Bridgeport
45 Lyon Terrace, Room 204
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604

Re: Resolution – U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program – Route 8/25 Connector Cap Planning Study (#26908)

Attached, please find a Grant Summary and Resolution for the **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program** to be referred to the **Committee on Economic and Community Development and Environment** of the City Council.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me at 203-332-5664 or Meggy.Adorno@bridgeportct.gov.

Thank you,

Meggy Adorno
Central Grants Office



GRANT SUMMARY

PROJECT TITLE: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program – Route 8/25 Connector Cap Planning Study (#26908)

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DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING INFORMATION: Central Grants Office

CONTACT NAME: Meggy Adorno

PHONE NUMBER: 203-332-5664

PROJECT SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION: The City of Bridgeport is requesting grant funding for a planning grant to conduct a feasibility study on decking over Route 8, which focuses on reconnecting Downtown Bridgeport and the Hollow neighborhood by creating more than five acres of new land over the depressed highway between existing overpasses. Upon completion, this study will enable the City and its State of Connecticut partners to pursue construction funding for a transformative unification initiative in Bridgeport.

CONTRACT PERIOD: 09/30/30 – 09/30/35

Federal:	\$ 1,000,000.00
State:	\$ 0
City:	\$ 0
Other:	\$ 0

GRANT FUNDED PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED	
Feasibility Study:	\$ 1,000,000.00
Construction:	\$ 0
Other:	\$ 0

MATCH REQUIRED		
	CASH	IN-KIND
Supplies:	N/A	N/A

A Resolution by the Bridgeport City Council

Regarding the

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program – Route 8/25 Connector Cap Planning Study (#26908)

WHEREAS, the **U.S. Department of Transportation** is authorized to extend financial assistance to municipalities in the form of grants; and

WHEREAS, this funding has been made possible through the **Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program**; and

WHEREAS, funds under this grant will be used to study the feasibility of decking over sections of Connecticut State Route 8; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Bridgeport submits an application to the **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program** to fund this important work.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. That it is cognizant of the City's grant application to and contract with the **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)** for the purpose of its **Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program**; and
2. That it hereby authorizes, directs, and empowers the Mayor or his designee to accept any funds that result from the City's application to the **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program** and to provide such additional information and execute such other contracts, amendments, and documents as may be necessary to administer this program.