Application form:
RTA Community Planning Program and
CMAP Local Technical Assistance Program

DEADLINE: Noon on Thursday, June 29, 2017

This application form is online at www.rtachicago.org/applications. You may submit the form by email to applications@rtachicago.org. Upon receipt of application, you will receive an e-mail verifying that your application has been received.

1. Name of Applicant

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City of Naperville

2. Main Contact for Application

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3. Type of Applicant (please check any that apply)

___ Local government

_____ Multijurisdictional group* Please list the members of the group (including government and nongovernmental organizations):

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_____ Nongovernmental organization* Name of local government partner(s):

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*Applications submitted by multijurisdictional groups and nongovernmental organizations must include a letter indicating support from each relevant local government. See the FAQs for more information.

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Nongovernmental applicants are strongly encouraged to contact CMAP or the RTA prior to submitting their application to discuss their project and the demonstration of local support.

4. Project Type (please check any that apply)

Please check all statements below that describe characteristics of your project.

___ My project involves preparation of a plan.
___ My project involves updating an already existing plan.
___ My project helps to implement a past plan.
___ My project links land use, transportation, and housing.
___ My project has direct relevance to public transit and supports the use of the existing transit system.
___ My project is not directly related to transportation or land use, but implements GO TO 2040 in other ways.

5. Local Match Requirement (please initial to indicate you are aware of the local match requirements)

I am aware that a local match will be required for most projects, and understand that if my project is selected it is up to the project applicant to contribute a local match. (See the program guide for further details on local match requirements.)

___ AL Yes, I understand that applicants will be required to contribute a local match.

6. Project Location

Please provide a brief description of the location of your project. You may include a map if that helps to describe location, but this is not required. If your project helps to implement a past plan, please include a link to that plan.

Citywide applicability.

7. Project Description

Please tell us what you would like to do in your community, and what assistance is needed. If you have more than one idea, please submit a separate application for each project. Please be specific, but also brief (less than two pages per project idea)—we simply want to have a basic understanding of what you want to do. For plan updates please tell us how you will be building upon (or replacing) the previous work. Program staff will follow-up with you if we need any additional information to fully understand your proposed project.

See attached project description.

8. Previous Plan Implementation Efforts

Please describe actions you have taken to implement previous plans in your community – whether your efforts were successful or not – to achieve infrastructure improvements, development investment, policy changes, advocacy, volunteer involvement, or other actions. If you do not have experience implementing previous planning work, please describe what you will do to make sure that your plan is implemented. Illustrating a commitment to implement plan recommendations is very important to both agencies as we consider new planning projects.

See attached description of previous plan implementation efforts.

9. Additional Strategic Partnerships

Please list any additional partners you may want to include in this planning project. Please specify if you have made contact with them in advance of submitting this application.

This LTA application for a Building Design Guidelines update is specific to the City of Naperville, and the City is not partnering with other municipalities for this application. However, we believe that this document could assist other communities with the creation or updating of their design guidelines documents to reflect new technologies and best practices.
The City's existing design guidelines (listed below) can be found on the City's website at:
https://www.naperville.il.us/projects-in-naperville/comprehensive-master-plan/

75th Street Corridor Study Design Recommendations (2008)
5th Avenue Study Design Recommendations (2009)
Downtown Design Guidelines (2011)
7. Project Description

The City of Naperville currently utilizes 6 design guidelines documents (see list below) that were prepared over a 5-year period and are applicable to different sectors of the City with some overlap. Given the number and age of these documents and the advancements that have been made in building technology, the City is interested in updating the recommendations provided in these documents to (1) create a single consolidated document that provides consistent guidance for all properties located in the City, while also highlighting those recommendations that are geographically specific; (2) streamline the format and recommendations to focus on those items most important to achieving good building, site design, and walkability, thereby reducing the overall document length/redundancy and increasing user-friendliness; and (3) reflect current design best practices, including sustainability, energy efficiency/LEED, environmental considerations, new technology, new building material options, creating a sense of place, and other architectural goals for the City of Naperville.

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8. Previous Plan Implementation Efforts

The City of Naperville has actively worked to implement previous plans. A key method used by the Planning Team is to evaluate each development proposal to determine how well it satisfies the recommendations of applicable City planning documents. As a part of the typical plan review process, the City works with developers to ensure plan recommendations are implemented to the greatest extent feasible, such as land use, building design and bulk recommendations, infrastructure and streetscape improvements, and landscaping. This method has been successful in incrementally implementing the recommendations of the City’s Plans. In recent years, the City of Naperville has undertaken many implementation items in furtherance of recommendations made within several adopted sub-area plans, such as the Ogden Avenue Corridor Enhancement Initiative (2008) (Click here), Fifth Avenue Study (2009) (Click here), and Naperville Downtown2030 (2011) (Click here). Some examples include:

- Creation of a façade and site improvement program; installation of parkway trees and intersection improvements; creation of a pole sign moratorium; and amendments to the B3 zoning district for Ogden Avenue;
- Installation of intersection and commuter parking improvements; creation of a height overlay district; and issuance of an RFQ for the property located within the Fifth Avenue Study area; and
• Amendments to the downtown zoning districts; update to the Downtown Streetscape Prototype; completion of a downtown historical and architectural survey; and creation of a height overlay district for Downtown Naperville.