## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

ANNOUNCING THE INTENT TO SEEK FUNDING SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF NOKOMIS 2025 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IDOT-SRTS APPLICATION

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## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

## DESCRIBING THE METHODS AND TIMEFRAME FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT

On or about October 15, 2025, the City of Nokomis, Illinois will apply for funding through the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program administered by Illinois Department of Transportation. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) was originally established as a stand-alone Federal-Aid program in August 2005 through the passage of SAFETEA-LU, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users. These funds are to be used to upgrade sidewalk facilities, along N. Spruce Street and N. Pine Street, leading to North Elementary School, to ADA compliant standards.

The proposed project cost is currently estimated to total \$250,000. The IDOT-SRTS grant award sought on behalf of the project, if approved, would total 100% of the construction amount for this project.

The City will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 at 6:30 pm to provide interested parties with an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded IDOT-SRTS project. This meeting will be held at Nokomis City Hall, 22 S. Cedar Street, Nokomis, IL. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact Rachel Cassidy, City Clerk located at City Hall, not later than 2 business days prior to the date of the hearing. Every effort will be made to make reasonable accommodation for these persons.

The City of Nokomis invites public comments concerning the above-described project and will accept comments through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Comments may be submitted via email to rachel@cityofnokomis.com. Comments may be submitted by mail or in person to 22 S Cedar St, Nokomis, IL 62075 at the ATTENTION OF: Rachel Cassidy.