CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE UP TO SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000) IN ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ACTC) COVID-19 RAPID RESPONSE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS TO ENHANCE AND EXPAND ALAMEDA'S COMMERCIAL AND SLOW STREETS PROGRAMS; AND ALLOCATE UP TO \$75,000 IN FUNDS FROM LOCAL MEASURE B/BB BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDS FOR THE REQUIRED MATCHING FUNDS, SHOULD THE GRANT BE AWARDED

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has rapidly and dramatically changed the closely inter-woven transportation and economic environments in Alameda; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2020, the City Council endorsed the implementation of the Commercial Streets program and the residential Slow Streets programs to provide more physical space for residents, businesses and visitors to safely live, work, shop and dine in Alameda; and

WHEREAS, City staff then implemented these programs as short term programs, to be in place through early November 2020; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2020, given the continued need for businesses to operate outside, City Council unanimously supported the extension of the Commercial Streets program beyond the initial end date of November 3, 2020 through October 31, 2021; and Council has previously endorsed continuing the Slow Streets program while the physical distancing requirements are in place, which is expected at least through late 2021; and

WHEREAS, both the Commercial and Slow Streets program would benefit from enhancements and expansion to meet the needs of the community and visitors, and to last for at least another year, including by installing more substantial and, as appropriate, semi-permanent infrastructure that is less likely to be stolen or damaged, and will last for at least another year; to repair, maintain and replace signs and barricades; to expand the Slow Streets program to more streets by purchasing additional barricades and signs; to make striping adjustments to Park and Webster Streets, as needed; and other similar efforts; and

WHEREAS, the ACTC COVID-19 Rapid Response Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program is a non-competitive grant for quick-build transportation improvement projects that support improved bicycle and pedestrian accessibility to local businesses, with a maximum grant award of \$75,000, and a required 100% local match, for a total potential program cost of \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, the City has sufficient unallocated Measures B and BB Bicycle and Pedestrian funding that can be used for the local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interests to partner with local agencies to maximize its resources and attain mutual goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that:

- 1. The City Manager is authorized to apply for and receive up to \$75,000 in ACTC COVID-19 Rapid Response Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program funds, and
- 2. The City Council hereby allocates up to \$75,000 in Local Measure B/BB Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds for the required local matching funds, should the City be awarded the grant, and
- 3. The City Manager or designee is appointed as the City's agent to conduct all negotiations; execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests, etc. which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project; and to carry out the project.

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the Council of the City of Alameda in a regular meeting assembled on the 20th day of October, 2020 by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said City this 21st day of October, 2020.

Lara Weisiger, City Clerk City of Alameda

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Yibin Shen, City Attorney City of Alameda