

CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO. _____

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, RETROACTIVELY, TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE UP TO \$292,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S 2022 COMPREHENSIVE INVESTMENT PLAN TO CONSTRUCT MULTI-USE PATHWAY CONNECTORS TO CLOSE GAPS IN ACCESSING THE CROSS ALAMEDA TRAIL IN JEAN SWEENEY OPEN SPACE PARK; AND ALLOCATING \$158,000 IN MATCHING FUNDS, SHOULD THE GRANT BE AWARDED

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) issued the 2022 Comprehensive Investment Plan call for projects in December 2020, with \$26.0 million available for bicycle/pedestrian and transit-related improvements within Alameda County; requiring that project be included in the 2020 Countywide Transportation Plan project listings; and prioritizing projects that enhance equity, safety and gap closure; and

WHEREAS, City staff evaluated potential application options to submit based on the grant criteria, City priorities, available staff time, and local funds available for matching the grant, and staff brought its recommendations to the January 27, 2021 Transportation Commission meeting, and the Commission supported staff's recommendation; and

WHEREAS, upon further evaluation, staff prepared and submitted one application to construct four new multi-use pathway connectors to close gaps in accessing the Cross Alameda Trail in Jean Sweeney Open Space Park (JSOSP); and

WHEREAS, these connectors were included in the Alameda JSOSP Master Plan, approved by Council in 2014; and, since the construction of this segment of the Cross Alameda Trail in 2018, many community members have urged the City to build these connectors; and these connectors are included in the draft recommendations for the Active Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the grant program requires a minimum of 25% in local match funding for capital projects, with higher matching fund percentages scoring additional points, and City staff proposed \$158,000 in local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, on the grant deadline of February 1, 2021, City staff submitted an application for the connector paths, requesting \$292,000 in grant funding, with a project start date of July 1, 2021 and completion date of August 2022; 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 of the City of Alameda that:

1. The City Manager is retroactively authorized to apply for and accept up to \$292,000 in grant funds from the Alameda CTC 2022 Comprehensive Investment Plan, and
2. The City Council hereby allocates \$158,000 in matching funds, including \$122,500 in local Measure B/BB bicycle/pedestrian funds, \$23,000 in Recreation and Parks Department staff time for project management, and \$12,500 committed by Blue Rise Ventures; 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 16th day of March 2021 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 17th day of March 2021.

Lara Weisiger, City Clerk
City of Alameda

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Yibin Shen, City Attorney
City of Alameda