

RESOLUTION 2025-###

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO (1) AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO'S LETTER OF INTEREST AND GRANT APPLICATION TO THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC) PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA GRANT PROGRAM FOR MCNEIL PARK FOR UP TO \$1,000,000; AND (2) AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATION AND TO TAKE OTHER NECESSARY ACTIONS TO RECEIVE SUCH GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the McNeil Park project, as a funding action, is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);

WHEREAS, building a healthy community and developing public facilities for active living are adopted policy items for the City Council;

WHEREAS, Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) are locally nominated and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)-designated areas that support the Bay Area's regional goals for conservation, climate resilience, and sustainable development;

WHEREAS, jurisdictions with designated PCAs are eligible for the PCA Grant Program, created by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) in partnership with the State Coastal Conservancy and administered by the San Francisco Estuary Partnership;

WHEREAS, in October 2025, MTC released a new round of funding with a total of \$8 million in funding for PCA grants ranging from \$200,000 to \$1 million;

WHEREAS, one of San Pablo's designated PCA areas is the parcel planned for McNeil Park at 2600 Moraga Road;

WHEREAS, the City has already secured \$7.79M in grant funding for the McNeil Park Project including \$4.79M from the California Natural Resources Agency's Urban Greening Grant Program and \$3.0M from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation's Legislatively Specified Grant Program;

WHEREAS, based on a preliminary estimate in the early stages of the design phase, City staff are estimating an approximate \$3.3M funding gap for the McNeil Park Project at 2600 Moraga Road; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Pablo's proposed application submission for the PCA Grant Program will seek additional funding, up to \$1.0M, to close the funding gap for the McNeil Park Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San

Pablo hereby authorizes submission of the City of San Pablo's letter of interest and grant application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Priority Conservation Area Grant Program administered by the San Francisco Estuary Partnership for the McNeil Park Project in an amount up to \$1,000,000;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to take such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate the City's receipt of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission grant funding described in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing recitations are true and correct and are included herein by reference as findings.

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ADOPTED this 15th day of December, 2025, by the following votes:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Dorothy Gantt, City Clerk

Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, Mayor