

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO AUTHORIZING THE CITY THROUGH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR THE STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY PROPOSITION ONE GRANT FOR RUMRILL BOULEVARD COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATION AND ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS RELATED TO THIS GRANT APPLICATION

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution

COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS

FY 2019-21 Council Priority Workplan Compliance Statement

Infrastructure: Enhance Community Resilience - (202) Develop Long-Term Environmental Stewardship Goals is an adopted policy item under the adopted FY 2019-21 Council Priority Workplan, effective March 1, 2019.

CEQA Compliance Statement

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the adoption of the subject resolution authorizing Public Works to submit a grant application is exempt from CEQA requirements. Under Guidelines section 15378, "project" does not include the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

BACKGROUND

The Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act (Proposition 1) was approved by the voters in November 2014. Proposition 1 authorized the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) to provide up to \$20 million in funding to projects that meet one of the four priority types: water sustainability improvements, anadromous fish habitat enhancement, wetland restoration and urban greening. The City of San Pablo's proposed submission for the SCC Prop.1 funding is for the Rumrill Boulevard Complete Streets Project, which meets the urban greening goal of Prop. 1.

The Rumrill Boulevard Complete Streets Project is a major City project that proposes to modify Rumrill Boulevard to add Class IV bikeways or cycle tracks in both directions of travel, while reducing the number of vehicle travel lanes in both directions and adding left turn pockets along the corridor. Related improvements include landscaped buffers, parking protection, and striped buffers as well as potential physical barriers such as landscaping and curbing. In addition, the Project will include traffic signal modifications, improved crosswalks, lighting and concrete improvements (i.e. curb ramps, sidewalk, driveways, and median), and flashing beacons, as well as storm drainage improvements, including green infrastructure and landscaping improvements. The green infrastructure (urban

greening) elements of the project allow it to be eligible for funding under Prop.1.

The total cost for the improvements on Rumrill Boulevard is estimated at \$18 million dollars. The City of San Pablo has been awarded the following grants, each having restrictions on the type of improvements to be funded:

- \$4.3-million-dollar Active Transportation (ATP) Grant managed by Caltrans and distributed through the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for design and construction of bicycle related improvements.
- \$864,634 USEPA San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund Grant (SFBWQIF) for design, environmental compliance and to implement green infrastructure as part of the project.
- \$3.9 million-dollar grant from the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) through their Urban Greening Program for construction of bicycle, pedestrian and landscape improvements.
- \$1 million-dollar Measure J Pedestrian Bike and Trail Facilities (PBTF) grant for construction of pedestrian and bicycle facilities.
- \$3.2 million-dollar grant from Caltrans for roadway and cycle track improvements.
- \$85,000 grant from MTC for the installation of reticular rapid flashing beacons.

The City of San Pablo also negotiated \$2.8 million in funding from Caltrans and Tesoro Refinery as part of an alternative compliance program for the installation of green infrastructure.

Grant Program	Resolution	Grant Award
Caltrans/MTC- ATP Grant	2016-012	\$4,310,000
EPA- SFBWQIF Grant	2017-112	\$864,634
CNRA- Urban Greening Program Grant	2017-082	\$3,999,540
Measure J- PBTF Grant	2016-323	\$1,000,000
Caltrans SB-1	2018-109	\$3,200,000
MTC- TDA	2018-040	\$85,000
Tesoro Refinery Alternative Compliance	2018-127	\$395,409
Caltrans Alternative Compliance	TBD	\$2,400,000
Total		\$16,254,583

In addition to the above grant funding, the following funding has been secured as match funds from the City of San Pablo:

San Pablo Match	Amount	Appropriated
Match Requirement for MTC/ATP Grant	\$ 600,000	Allocated through Resolution 2019-012, to be appropriated in May 2019
Reallocations of funds for CEQA/NEPA	\$ 143,000	Yes- Resolution 2017-107
Match Requirement for Measure J PBTF Grant	\$ 120,000	To be appropriated in May 2019
Total	\$ 863,000	

The estimated cost for the SCC Prop. 1 grant improvements is \$1 million. At this time, staff is seeking approval to apply for the funds for the above described work and authorize the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary related to this grant to comply with grant application requirements.

Grant applications are due by April 30, 2019. It is anticipated that these grant funds for projects will be awarded in Fall of 2019. No specific match is required for this grant, and therefore, no additional funding beyond the \$863,000 outlined above is requested at this time.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff seeks City Council authorization to apply for a Proposition 1 grant from the State Coastal Conservancy. If awarded, it is anticipated that the City will receive \$1 million in funding, which will increase revenues in the FY 2020/21 General Fund budget by \$1 million, which must be spent on grant-approved projects and activities. Staff also seeks City Council authorization for City Manager to enter into any agreements related to this grant to comply with grant application requirements. Staff will return to City Council to accept and appropriate all grant and required matching funds after funds are awarded.