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AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Administrator

ATTN: Dan Lindheim

FROM: Community and Economic Development Agency

DATE: June 22, 2010

RE: **Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator, Or His Designee, To Apply For, Accept And Appropriate Grant Funds From The San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program For Up To Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) For The Fruitvale Avenue To High Street Gap Closure Segment Of The Oakland Waterfront Bay Trail**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, or his designee, to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funds for up to \$400,000.00 from the San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program (using Proposition 50 State Bonds) for a critical gap closure project on the Oakland Waterfront Bay Trail. The scope of the project involves the construction of a Class I (off-street) multi-use bicycle and pedestrian trail along the inner harbor, as specified in the Regional Bay Trail Plan. The Fruitvale Avenue to High Street project closes an approximately 600-foot trail gap from Alameda Avenue to behind the warehouses at 3575 and 3675 Alameda Avenue. In order for a project to be eligible for this grant funding it must be located along the Bay Trail's 500-mile regional trail system encircling San Francisco Bay. No other current Bay Trail projects were identified that would meet the Bay Trail program's funding criteria.

FISCAL IMPACT

The project is part of the voter-approved Bond Measure DD Waterfront projects and leverages these funds to complete the construction. The estimated cost for completing the Fruitvale Avenue to High Street Gap Closure is \$1,500,000.00. Approval of this resolution will allow the City to accept and appropriate up to \$400,000.00 in grant funding from the San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program, which will thus supplement the Measure DD funding. These funds will be deposited into the Bay Trail Fund (2159); Project Delivery Organization (92270); and under a new project number to be established.

In the event that the grant funding is not received, sufficient funds for the project are available from the following source:

- \$1,500,000.00 Bond Measure DD (5321), Project No. C395010, Capital Project Management Organization (92270)

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The City will maintain the new facilities, including the paved path structure, open space and landscaped areas and site furnishings. The estimated annual maintenance cost in today's dollars is \$1,200.00 for utilities, \$40,000.00 for labor, and \$4,000.00 for Operations & Maintenance for a total of \$45,200.00. These funds will be needed beginning in January 2012.

BACKGROUND

The Bay Trail project is identified as a priority on the City, County and Regional Bike Plans. The project that is being proposed is located on the Bay Trail spine along the inner harbor waterfront, and is thus highly eligible for funding. In order for a project to be eligible for this grant funding it must be located along the Bay Trail's 500-mile regional trail system encircling San Francisco Bay. No other current Bay Trail projects were identified that would meet the Bay Trail program's funding criteria.

The San Francisco Bay Trail Plan proposes development of a 500-mile ring around the Bay and a regional hiking and bicycling trail around the perimeter of San Francisco and San Pablo Bays. The Plan was prepared by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) pursuant to Senate Bill 100 which mandated a funding mechanism and specific design guidelines for the Bay Trail. The Bay Trail's funding priority is the development of the recreational spine corridor, which will eventually encircle the Bay and link the shoreline of all nine Bay Area counties. The grant funding has an open application period until all funds are allocated.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

The primary goal of this project is to extend the Waterfront Bay Trail eastward along the inner Harbor, with the ultimate goal of connecting the Martin Luther King, Jr. Shoreline Park with Jack London Square. Acceptance of these funds responds to the public's interest in completing the waterfront trail, using the voter approved Measure DD funds and various grant funding sources. The inner harbor trail poses various physical challenges to trail development, including limited physical space which thereby becomes very costly to construct. Acceptance of this grant fund provides needed supplemental funding to overcome the challenges so that the trail development can continue to progress.

The Fruitvale Avenue to High Street segment of the Waterfront Trail is in the bidding process and is anticipated to begin construction in early 2011 and be completed by December 2011.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project constructs a complex structural trail segment that closes the gap to provide a continuous facility from Fruitvale Avenue to the High Street Bridge along the Inner Harbor. This project involves the construction of an approximately 600-foot, Class I (off-street) trail gap closure. Design elements include an on-grade multi-use trail connecting to the Alameda Avenue segment of the Waterfront Trail, a concrete, cantilevered, pile supported, multi-use trail with associated landscaping for the segment located behind the warehouses at 3575 & 3675 Alameda

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Avenue, and an on-grade connection to the existing trail behind the 3675 Alameda Avenue parking lot with associated landscaping. Signage and a historic interpretive marker are also included in the project.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: Project implementation provides the opportunity to use local contractors that offer employment to Oakland residents, thereby strengthening the local economy. Development of the Bay Trail is also expected to benefit Oakland economically, by attracting visitors to our City and providing an attractive local recreational facility for existing and prospective residents.

Environmental: The projects will encourage walking and bicycling, thereby reducing vehicle emissions, noise pollution, and fuel consumption. The City's construction contract guidelines encourage the use of recyclable materials and waste reduction. The Fruitvale Avenue to High Street project provides on-site drainage to improve storm water management.

Social Equity: This project will provide greater accessibility and safety to persons who depend on walking, bicycling and public transit to access jobs and services, such as low-income and senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and children.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

The Project will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, will be reviewed by appropriate regulatory bodies, and will conform to all community requirements related to disability and senior citizen access.

RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to authorize the City Administrator, or his designee, to apply for, accept and appropriate grant funds from the San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program, for up to \$400,000.00.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

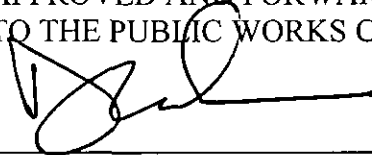


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APPROVED AND FORWARDED
TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:



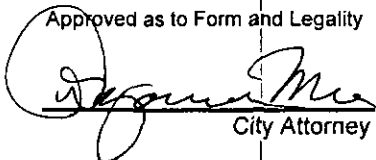
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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Approved as to Form and Legality

City Attorney

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, FOR UP TO FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000.00) FOR THE FRUITVALE AVENUE TO HIGH STREET GAP CLOSURE SEGMENT OF THE OAKLAND WATERFRONT BAY TRAIL

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay Trail Project, administered by the Association of Bay Area Governments, provides San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program funds to local jurisdictions on a competitive basis for development of waterfront trail projects throughout the nine-county Bay region; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland is an eligible applicant and desires to apply for, accept and appropriate up to \$400,000.00 in FY 2010-11 San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program funds, for the purpose of appropriating said funding to the Bay Trail Fund (2159), Project Delivery Organization (92270) for the Fruitvale Avenue to High Street Gap Closure segment of the Oakland Waterfront Bay Trail; and

WHEREAS, said funding will further the City's and Regional Bay Trail's objective of providing a continuous multi-use trail along the Oakland waterfront in the inner harbor; and

WHEREAS, appropriation of this funding will supplement Measure DD Bond funds for this project and allow for the project to proceed to construction as planned; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator, or his designee, to apply for, accept and appropriate up to \$400,000.00 in FY 2010-11 San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program funds, for the Fruitvale Avenue to High Street Gap Closure segment of the Oakland Waterfront Bay Trail; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said funding will be appropriated to the Bay Trail Fund (2159), Project Delivery Organization (92270) under project numbers to be established and that the City of Oakland has additional funds from the following source: Bond Measure DD (Fund 5321) and can finance 100 percent of the Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City of Oakland certifies that the Project is compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding the Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator, or his designee, is authorized, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to negotiate, apply for, accept, submit and execute all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, and related actions for the completion of this project without return to Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That should additional funds become available and/or received for this project, the City Administrator, or his designee, is hereby authorized to accept and appropriate the same for the purposes described above without return to Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution will be transmitted to the Association of Bay Area Governments, San Francisco Bay Trail Regional Development Program, and another copy of this resolution be placed on file with the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California