

**CITY OF OAKLAND  
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

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TO: Office of the City Manager  
ATTN: Deborah Edgerly  
FROM: Community and Economic Development Agency  
DATE: December 9, 2003

RE: Acceptance and Appropriation of \$303,188 in Regional Transportation Funds for Clean Air through the Bay Area Air Quality Management District for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Improvement Project.

**SUMMARY**

The City of Oakland, in partnership with BART was awarded the 2003 Transportation for Clean Air (TFCA) grant for \$303,188 from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project.

About \$10 million was made available for distribution via the competitive Regional Fund during fiscal year 2003-04. The minimum grant for a single project was \$10,000 and the maximum award was capped at \$1.0 million. By the acceptance and appropriation of this grant, the City will have increased funding capacity for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project to improve the pedestrian and vehicular environment along San Leandro Street between 73rd and 66th Avenues and along 66th and 69th Avenues between San Leandro and Snell Streets. The improvements will include: street lighting with banners; trees; traffic signal interconnect; asphalt concrete overlay; and railroad crossing improvements. These improvements will mitigate vehicle emissions, and improve pedestrian safety issues in the vicinity of the Coliseum BART station, and access improvements from nearby residential neighborhoods to the BART station, AC Transit buses, and local businesses.

**FISCAL IMPACTS**

The acceptance and appropriation of the grant award increases the City grant revenue by \$303,188. The BAAQMD has awarded this grant and the City will receive up to \$303,188 in TFCA Regional Funds to purchase additional improvements for the Project. These grant funds will be allocated to the Coliseum Redevelopment Area (Fund # 2159, State of California, Other). The table below lists the funding sources for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project.

| <b>Funding Source</b>   | <b>Note</b>   | <b>Amount</b>      |
|---|---|--------------------|
| <b>Secured</b>  |   |                    |
| 1. Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Grant (G234510) | Resolution 77482, Oct. 15, 2002                                     | \$1,000,000        |
| 2. TLC Matching Grant from Coliseum ORA (project #TBD)          | Resolution 02-76, Oct. 15, 2002                                     | \$130,000          |
| 3. Federal Transit Administration Grant (G234540)               | Awarded to AC Transit for buses consolidation to San Leandro Street | \$600,000          |
| 4. Transportation For Clean Air Local Grant (G234520)           | Traffic signal  | \$192,000          |
| 5. Tax Allocation Bond - ORA 2003-05 Budget (project #TBD)      | Utility undergrounding  | \$1,670,000        |
| <b>Total Secured Funding</b>                                    |   | <b>\$3,592,000</b> |
| <b>Unsecured</b>  |   |                    |
| TFCA Regional Grant   | Award notification October 2003                                     | \$303,188          |
| <b>Overall Potential Funding</b>                                |   | <b>\$3,895,188</b> |

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape emerged from a public safety planning effort initiated by a community partnership called the Coliseum BART Station Area Improvement Task Force (SAITF). The SAITF met monthly for two years to improve public safety in the Coliseum BART station area. The SAITF initiated a Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) planning study in the Coliseum area, and as a result, identified the proposed streetscape project as a key investment to improve safety in the BART station area. CPTED theory states that crime can be reduced and safety increased through specific changes to the physical environment, such as improved lighting, sidewalks, and improved organization of buildings and open space.

Since 2002, the City has been awarded various grants and contributed a total of \$3,592,000 to assist in funding the streetscape project. Most recently, the City and BART have been awarded \$303,188 by the BAAQMD TFCA Regional Fund. These funds will further assist in providing the necessary capital required to complete infrastructure improvements associated with the project.

Currently, the Public Works Department, with the consulting assistance by a landscape architectural firm is producing conceptual design plans. The construction drawings are scheduled for completion Spring 2004 and construction of the Transit Hub Streetscape is scheduled for completion by the end of 2004.

## **KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS**

The Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design planning process identified hazards related to the lack of sidewalks in the area, the lack of lighting and other surveillance, no clearly demarcated paths of travel for pedestrians, and a general lack of amenities such as trees, medians and protective bollards that would encourage pedestrian activity. The acceptance and appropriation of the TFCA grant shall provide the City with additional funds towards completing the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project. The project would improve the area by:

- Reducing the number of auto trips to and from the area. This project, in conjunction with the Intercity Rail Platform, Airport Connector and the future mixed-use transit-oriented development proposed for the area will help reduce auto dependency and notably increase the number of walking and transit trips; and
- Providing a public investment in the infrastructure to leverage private development and realize the vision of the Coliseum BART Station Area Plan for a transit-oriented development adjacent to Coliseum BART.

## **SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

The Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project remedies problems in the project area related to the safety and comfort of pedestrians, transit riders, and fans traveling in the area. The project also improves access to the area's transit alternatives from surrounding commercial and residential neighborhoods. Finally, the project will be a catalyst to attract additional development interest in the area and realize the vision of the Coliseum BART Station Area Plan. The result will be a superior example of smart growth and sustainable land use management.

**DISABILITY AND SENIOR ACCESS**

The streetscape improvements will meet all applicable State and Federal regulations regarding accessibility.

**RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE**

Staff recommends that the Council approve the resolution. By acceptance and appropriation of the BAAQMD award, the City will have additional capacity to improve the Coliseum BART station area along San Leandro Street and along 66<sup>th</sup> and 69<sup>th</sup> Avenues between San Leandro and Snell Streets.

**ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COUNCIL**

Staff requests approval of the resolution to accept and appropriate the Bay Area Air Quality Management District award of \$303,188 in Clean Air funds for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project.

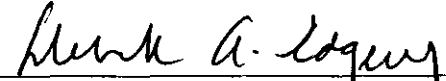
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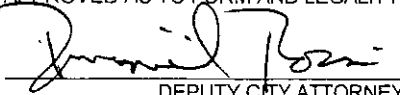
Dan Vanderprie,  
Redevelopment Director, Community &  
Economic Development Agency

Prepared by:  
Gregory Hunter, Manager Coliseum  
Redevelopment Area

APPROVED AND FORWARDED  
TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

  
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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
  
DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C. M. S.

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF AN AMOUNT UP TO \$303,188 IN TRANSPORTATION FUNDS FOR CLEAN AIR REGIONAL FUNDS FROM THE BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE COLISEUM TRANSIT HUB STREETScape PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland wishes to receive regional transportation funds for the project known as the "Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project" or the "Project," as described below:

The project is a streetscape improvement plan that addresses mitigation of vehicle emissions, pedestrian safety and travel in the vicinity of the Coliseum BART station area along San Leandro Street, between 66<sup>th</sup> and 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, and along 66<sup>th</sup> and 69<sup>th</sup> Avenue between San Leandro and Snell Streets, and access improvements from nearby residential neighborhoods to the BART station, AC Transit buses, and local businesses. The project provides a pedestrian link between existing and proposed land uses and transit services available in the area. The project will fund street lighting with banners, trees, traffic signal interconnect, and railroad crossing improvements.

and

**WHEREAS**, the City in partnership with the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) has been awarded \$303,188 in Transportation Funds for Clean Air (TFCA) regional grant application from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape project; and

**WHEREAS**, the TFCA grant award requires a resolution from the public agency's governing board authorizing the acceptance and appropriation and identifying the individual authorized to submit and carry out the project; and

**WHEREAS**, TFCA requires a matching fund equal to or greater than 20 percent of total project cost for project applications requesting more than \$100,000; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately \$2.8 million or 67 percent of the estimated \$4.25 million total

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project cost will be paid for by the awarded TLC grant of \$1.0 million pursuant to Resolution No. 77482 C.M.S., Redevelopment Agency Tax Allocation Bond proceeds of \$130,000 pursuant to Resolution No. 02-78 C.M.S., and \$1.67 million pursuant to the ORA Budget 2003-05; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is a public agency within the jurisdiction of the BAAQMD and is therefore, an eligible project sponsor for the TFCA program's Regional Fund; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager or her designee to accept and appropriate a grant for TFCA regional funding in the amount up to \$303,188 to the Coliseum Redevelopment Area (Fund # 2159 State of California, Other) for the Coliseum Transit Hub Streetscape Project; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby designates the City Manager or her designee as the individual authorized to submit and carry out the project; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to execute documents, administer the TFCA grant, and take whatever other action is necessary and appropriate with respect to the project and the TFCA grant consistent with this Resolution and its basic purpose; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That a copy of this Resolution will be transmitted to BAAQMD and placed on file with the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN AND  
PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

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CEDA FLOYD  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California

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