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CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE UPDATED CONCEPT PLANS WITHIN CITY OF OAKLAND RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE EAST BAY GREENWAY MULTIMODAL PROJECT LED BY THE ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (ACTC)

WHEREAS, ACTC is leading the East Bay Greenway Multimodal (Phase 1) Project (Project), which is central to achieving the goals and strategies adopted in the 2020 Countywide Transportation Plan and has prepared Concept Plans for the portions of the Project in the City of Oakland (City); and

WHEREAS, the Project will provide safety improvements for vulnerable bicyclists and pedestrians and for all road users along East 10th Street, East 8th Street, East 12th Street, and San Leandro Street, which are part of the City's High Injury Networks and ACTC Countywide High Injury Networks; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2019 Bicycle Plan "Let's Bike Oakland!", adopted on July 9, 2019 via Resolution No. 87808 C.M.S, recommends protected bicycle facilities along East 10th Street, East 8th Street, East 12th Street, and San Leandro Street that match those proposed by the Project within the City limits; and

WHEREAS, A key pillar of the Equitable Climate Action Plan, adopted by the City Council on July 28, 2020 via Resolution No. 88267 C.M.S, is to implement the City's Let's Bike Oakland Bike Plan and "allocate curb space for mobility needs for public transit and active transportation, such as walking and biking;" and

WHEREAS, the East Bay Greenway is included as a priority project in both the East Oakland Mobility Action Plan (2021) and the East Oakland Neighborhood Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the improvements proposed by this Project align with the City's General Plan, Transit First Policy (Resolution No. 73036 C.M.S.) and Complete Streets Policy (Resolution No. 13153 C.M.S.); and

WHEREAS, ACTC conducted a Racial Equity Impact Analysis (REIA) of the Project, in close coordination with the City, to understand how the Project positively and negatively impacts historically underserved communities, particularly in East Oakland. The REIA found that the Project provides significant benefits of improved active transportation infrastructure, transportation safety benefits, affordable mobility options, and improved access to community centers and opportunities (jobs, shopping, entertainment, etc.) which are expected to outweigh disbenefits of on-street parking removals; and

WHEREAS, the Project is one of three major trails identified in the 2014 Measure BB Transportation Expenditure Plan; and

WHEREAS, the concept for an East Bay Greenway originated with a community-led planning process in 2008; and

WHEREAS, ACTC, in coordination with the City, conducted outreach on the proposed Project Concept Plan including surveys in multiple languages, popup events; project mailers; and a targeted focus group; and

WHEREAS, the Project proposes safety improvements for people walking and biking and overall complete streets enhancements; and

WHEREAS, improvements that make bicycling and walking safer and that make transit more reliable benefit the City's most vulnerable and underserved residents; and

WHEREAS, adopting this resolution allows the City to continue to participate in the ACTC-led Project and ensure the needs of Oaklanders are met; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City approves of ACTC's Concept Plans for environmental analysis and advancement to the detailed design phase; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council directs staff to continue working with ACTC on outreach and design during the detailed design phase of the Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That ACTC will conduct a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) analysis of the Project as the CEQA Lead Agency and complete all necessary recordation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council supports ACTC's efforts in pursing funding grants for the Project.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

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ASHA REED City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California