

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 15-017

WHEREAS, The Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement aims to make biking on Folsom Street between 1st Street and 3rd Street safer and more comfortable; and,

WHEREAS, The goals of the SFMTA Strategic Plan include Goal 2, “Make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing & carsharing the preferred means of travel”; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bicycle Coalition (SFBC) Education Fund has offered to provide the SFMTA a gift of \$100,000 for the construction of the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project, the expenditure of which is subject to completion of environmental review of the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bicycle Plan included nine categories of minor improvements that may be implemented, as necessary, to improve conditions for bicycle use within the City, which were reviewed at a programmatic level in the San Francisco Bicycle Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR). SFMTA submitted an abbreviated CEQA Checklist to the Planning Department on December 3, 2014, which addresses the environmental review of the specific treatments included in the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project by the SFMTA; and

WHEREAS, Until environmental review is complete, nothing commits, or shall be deemed to commit, the City or City agencies to approve or implement the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project; the City and any other public agency with jurisdiction over any part of the implementation of the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement project shall have the absolute discretion before approving the project to: (i) make such modifications to the project as may be necessary to mitigate significant environmental impacts; (ii) select other feasible alternatives to avoid or substantially reduce significant environmental impacts; (iii) require the implementation of specific measures to mitigate any specific impacts of the project; (iv) balance the benefits of the project against any significant environmental impacts before taking final action if such significant impacts cannot otherwise be avoided; and (v) determine whether or not to proceed with the project; and

WHEREAS, The offer from the SFBC Education Fund also specifies that if the Project is not fully implemented, the entire gift amount must be returned to the SFBC Education Fund; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA is responsible for all planning, design, outreach and construction costs associated with the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors accepts a gift of \$100,000 from the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition Education Fund for the construction of the Folsom-Essex Bikeway Improvement Project on Folsom Street between 1st Street and 3rd Street, subject to the conditions of the gift.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of January 20, 2015.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency