

**SAN FRANCISCO  
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

**DIVISION:** Finance and Information Technology

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

Approving a fund transfer agreement for \$292,149 in discretionary funding programmed by the California Department of Transportation for the SFMTA's Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan.

**SUMMARY:**

- The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) programs grant funds for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program (Program), the purpose of which is to support Caltrans' mission: to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated, and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability.
- Caltrans selected the Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) for \$292,149 in funding. The Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan is a community-driven planning effort led by the SFMTA with District 10 Supervisor Cohen and strong local stakeholder partnerships to create consensus on a transportation vision for the District by leveraging previous planning studies to understand the community's ongoing and evolving needs.
- In order to receive funding under the Program, Caltrans requires that the SFMTA obtain a resolution from its governing board approving a fund transfer agreement with Caltrans for the project.


**ENCLOSURES:**

1. SFMTAB Resolution

**APPROVALS:**

**DATE**

DIRECTOR

  
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2/12/2018  
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SECRETARY

  
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2/12/2018  
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**ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE:** February 20, 2018

**PURPOSE**

Adopting a resolution approving a fund transfer agreement for \$292,149 in discretionary funding programmed by the California Department of Transportation for the SFMTA's Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan.

**STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TRANSIT FIRST POLICY PRINCIPLES**

This action supports the following SFMTA Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone

Objective 1.1: Improve security for transportation system users.

Objective 1.3: Improve the safety of the transportation system.

Goal 2: Make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing and carsharing the preferred means of travel.

Objective 2.3: Improve use of all non-private auto modes.

Goal 3: Improve the environment and quality of life in San Francisco.

Objective 3.2: Increase the transportation system's positive impact on the economy.

This action supports the following Transit First Policy principles:

- To ensure quality of life and economic health in San Francisco, the primary objective of the transportation system must be the safe and efficient movement of people and goods.
- Public transit, including taxis and vanpools, is an economically and environmentally sound alternative to transportation by individual automobiles. Within San Francisco, travel by public transit, by bicycle, and on foot must be an attractive alternative to travel by private automobile.
- The City and County shall encourage innovative solutions to meet public transportation needs wherever possible and where the provision of such service will not adversely affect the service provided by the Municipal Railway.
- Decisions regarding the use of limited public street and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health and safety.
- Pedestrian areas shall be enhanced wherever possible to improve the safety and comfort of pedestrians and to encourage travel by foot.
- Bicycling shall be promoted by encouraging safe streets for riding, convenient access to transit, bicycle lanes, and secure bicycle parking.

**DESCRIPTION**

Caltrans programs grant funds for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program (the Program), the purpose of which is to support Caltrans' mission: to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability.

The SFMTA submitted two applications under the Program. Caltrans selected one of those projects—the Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan—for \$292,149 in funding.

The Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan is a community-driven planning effort led by the SFMTA with District 10 Supervisor Cohen and strong local stakeholder partnerships. It creates consensus on a transportation vision for the District by leveraging previous planning studies to understand the community's ongoing and evolving needs.

In order to receive the funding under the Program, Caltrans requires that the SFMTA obtain a resolution from its governing board approving a fund transfer agreement with Caltrans for the project.

**STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

Encouraging public involvement from vulnerable or under-represented groups, such as low-income and minority populations, non-English speaking populations, seniors, youth, people with disabilities, and transit-dependent persons, is a key objective of these Projects. Through this grant, the SFMTA will perform extensive outreach to the public in partnership with community-based organizations to optimize project outcomes and maximize the benefits of the Project to the community.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

This Project is consistent with the SFMTA's Capital Investment Program. By applying for discretionary grant funds, we grow the amount of available revenue for the entire Agency. One alternative is to wait until a future solicitation is announced. The second alternative is to use revenues in hand, which would require reprioritization of projects and programs in our Capital Improvement Program.

**FUNDING IMPACT**

The Project will be funded with the \$292,149 Transportation Planning Grant from Caltrans. The grant requires a minimum local match of 11.47%, or \$37,851, which will come from an in-kind labor match from the SFMTA Operating Budget.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

On November 8, 2017, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed fund transfer agreement is not a “project” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Sections 15060(c) and 15378(b).

A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference.

**OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED**

The City Attorney has reviewed this report.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the SFMTA Board approve a fund transfer agreement for \$292,149 in discretionary funding programmed by the California Department of Transportation for the SFMTA’s Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, The SFMTA is eligible to receive Federal and/or State funding for certain transportation planning programs through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and,

WHEREAS, Caltrans programs grant funds for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program (the Program), the purpose of which is to support Caltrans' mission: to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability; and,

WHEREAS, After receiving an application from the SFMTA, Caltrans selected the Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan for \$292,149 in funding from the Program; and,

WHEREAS, The Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan is a community-driven planning effort led by the SFMTA with District 10 Supervisor Cohen and strong local stakeholder partnerships; it creates consensus on a transportation vision for the District by leveraging previous planning studies to understand the community's ongoing and evolving needs; and,

WHEREAS, In order to receive funding under the Program, Caltrans requires that the SFMTA obtain a resolution from its governing board approving a fund transfer agreement with Caltrans for the project; and,

WHEREAS, On November 8, 2017, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed fund transfer agreement is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Sections 15060(c) and 15378(b); and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves a fund transfer agreement of \$292,149 in discretionary funding programmed by the California Department of Transportation for the SFMTA's Bayview Community-Based Transportation Plan.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of February 20, 2018.

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Secretary to the Board of Directors  
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency