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TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mohammed Nuru, Director of SF Public Works
DATE: April 13, 2017
SUBJECT: Accept and Expend State Grant
GRANT TITLE: Transportation Development Act, Article 3 (TDA 3)

Attached please find the original and one copy of each of the following:

- ☒ Proposed grant resolution; original signed by Departments
- ☒ Grant information form, including disability checklist
- ☒ Draft SFMTA Board of Directors' Resolution for MTA bike projects
- ☒ SFMTA Bicycle Advisory Committee Resolution
- ☒ Grant applications for three projects: one for SFMTA, two for SFPW
- ☒ Grant budgets for SFPW curb ramp and sidewalk repair projects
- ☒ CEQA determinations
- ☒ Opinion of Counsel
- ☒ MTC Resolution 4220 (fund estimate for San Francisco)

Special Timeline Requirements:

Departmental representative to receive a copy of the adopted resolution:

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Certified copy required ☐ Yes ☒ No

Transportation Development Act, Article 3 State Grant Funds

Summary

The Municipal Transportation Agency and San Francisco Public Works request authorization to accept and expend \$991,150 in Transportation Development Act, Article 3 (TDA 3) state funds available for County bicycle and pedestrian projects. SFMTA will use \$495,575 for Vision Zero bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements. Public Works will use \$495,575 for planning and design of curb ramps, as well as sidewalk repair at various sites throughout the City.

Background

The TDA of 1971 earmarked $\frac{1}{4}$ percent of the general state sales tax for transit and created a Local Transportation Fund (LTF) in each county to receive the funds. The State Board of Equalization returns the general sales tax revenues to each county's Local Transportation Fund according to the sales tax collected in each county.

Article 3 of the TDA apportions 2% of the $\frac{1}{4}$ cent sales tax for the purpose of funding bicycle facility, education and safety projects as well as pedestrian, street, and road development projects. The funds are allocated by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) annually and disbursed under TDA Article 3 to the nine Bay Area counties. The grant does not have a matching fund requirement.

In FY 17-18, San Francisco will allocate \$991,150, including MTC's revenue estimate of \$985,018 and \$6,132 in projected adjustments and carryforwards. SFMTA and Public Works will split the allocation equally.

Project Selection

MTA proposes to use:

- \$495,575 to implement improvements according to the WalkFirst pedestrian safety analysis and prioritization framework and/or the SF Bicycle Plan, SFMTA Bicycle Strategy, and subsequent efforts that prioritize bicycle improvements and countermeasure types. Improvements could include but are not limited to: improved crosswalks, bulb-outs/sidewalk extensions, rapid rectangular flashing beacons, islands/transit bulbs, colored markings and safe hit posts, bike boxes, bike turn lanes, Class IV bikeways, striping and signing changes, and/or signal upgrades and timing modifications.

Public Works proposes to use:

- \$247,787 to repair public sidewalks at various locations in San Francisco. Sites for repair will be selected from SFPW's list of public requests and prioritized based on condition of sidewalk, extent of damage, level of pedestrian use, accidents, and complaints.
- \$247,788 for preliminary engineering (planning and design) of curb ramps at various sites throughout the City. Locations will be selected from a list developed by Public Works and the Mayor's Office of Disability (MOD). The city prioritizes curb ramp locations using guidelines established under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the City's ADA Transition Plan for curb ramps and sidewalks. The top priorities are locations that residents with disabilities have identified as ramps they need in order to safely get to transit stops, civic buildings, and to and from work. Additionally, Public Works prioritizes public requests from areas with higher populations of people with disabilities and low numbers of usable curb ramps.

For questions, please contact Rachel Alonso, SF Public Works Transportation Finance Analyst, at 415.554.4139.