



# Folsom City Council Staff Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	2/11/2020
<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b>	Consent Calendar
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Resolution No. 10387 - A Resolution Accepting a Grant from the California Department of Transportation for the Local Road Safety Program
<b>FROM:</b>	Public Works Department

## **RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve Resolution No. 10387 – A Resolution Accepting a Grant from the California Department of Transportation for the Local Road Safety Program.

## **BACKGROUND / ISSUE**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) administers the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), which is a State-funded grant program that local agencies can apply for to construct safety improvements to reduce fatal and severe injury traffic collisions. Historically, in order to qualify for HSIP funding, the local agency must demonstrate a history of fatal/severe collisions, a recommended safety solution, and a benefit/cost analysis in order to be considered. The next HSIP funding cycle, Cycle 10, will be the last cycle in which agencies can apply using this methodology. Starting with Cycle 11, local agencies must also base their funding requests on the outcomes of their Local Road Safety Program (LRSP).

## **POLICY / RULE**

The City Council Adopted Resolution No. 7332 Financial Policies of the City of Folsom on May 25, 2004. Section D – Intergovernmental Revenues, Paragraph C – Grant Project Resolutions states, “All grants received from the Federal or State government for operating or capital purposes shall be recognized in separate grant project resolutions. A balanced grant project resolution must be adopted prior to beginning the project.”

## **ANALYSIS**

An LRSP is a systemic, data-driven approach in identifying the causes of severe traffic collisions and the appropriate corrective measures to address them. An effective LRSP also includes elements that address the four “E’s” of traffic safety: Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Services. The LRSP will utilize the City’s existing traffic collision database and the Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS) to analyze crash data and statistics. The outcome of this analysis will be the identification of focus areas and crash reduction strategies.

The LRSP development will also involve key stakeholders, including City Council, management, traffic safety professionals, and other key City staff and community stakeholders. Additionally, a public outreach plan will be developed, potentially including the creation of an LRSP web page, social media outreach, and a “Vision Zero” or similar message. “Vision Zero” is a traffic safety goal of reducing automobile fatalities to zero, or as close as is practical.

Lastly, the City of Folsom LRSP will incorporate Residential Street Traffic Countermeasures, replacing the City’s out-of-date Neighborhood Traffic Management Program and afford an opportunity to consider all forms of residential street traffic volume and/or speed reduction measures.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no direct, financial impact associated with the acceptance of this grant. Staff will select a qualified consulting firm to prepare the LRSP and will return to City Council with a request to enter into a consultant services agreement with the selected consultant, and to appropriate \$80,000 to fund the project. Per the terms of the grant, the City will be reimbursed \$72,000 of the appropriated funds, and the balance of \$8,000 will be the local match.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

This item is exempt from environmental review.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution No. 10387 - A Resolution Accepting a Grant from the California Department of Transportation for the Local Road Safety Program.

Submitted,



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Dave Nugen, Public Works Director

**RESOLUTION NO. 10387**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE LOCAL ROAD SAFETY PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, in November 2019, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) released a call for applications for Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) grant funds; and

**WHEREAS**, funding in the amount of \$72,000 would be awarded to selected agencies, with a local match of \$8,000 resulting in a total project cost of \$80,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant funding will be used to prepare an LRSP for the City of Folsom; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2019 staff was notified that the City was awarded the grant funding; and

**WHEREAS**, staff has issued a Request for Proposals to select a qualified consulting firm to use the grant funding to prepare the LRSP

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby approves the acceptance of the grant award from Caltrans in the amount of \$72,000 and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Public Works Director is hereby appointed as agent of the City of Folsom to conduct all negotiations, execute, and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020, by the following roll-call vote:

**AYES:** Council Member(s):  
**NOES:** Council Member(s):  
**ABSENT:** Council Member(s):  
**ABSTAIN:** Council Member(s):

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Sarah Aquino, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

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