



Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	12/13/2022
AGENDA SECTION:	New Business
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 10961 - A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Submit Grant Applications to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments for the 2022-23 Funding Round
FROM:	Public Works Department

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 10961 - A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Submit Grant Applications to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments for the 2022-23 Funding Round.

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the greater Sacramento region, which is a six-county region including Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, Yuba, Placer, and El Dorado counties. SACOG is also the transportation planning agency for the four-county sub-region of Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, and Yuba counties (El Dorado County and Placer County both have their own transportation planning agencies).

As the transportation planning agency for Sacramento County, SACOG is charged with receiving the region's transportation and air quality-related tax apportionments from the State of California. This includes the following sources:

- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)
- Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)
- Active Transportation Program (ATP)

SACOG allocates the State transportation funding on a 100 percent competitive basis, requiring local agencies to apply for grant funds from one of two programs, the Regional Program and the Community Design Program. The Regional Program is divided into two categories: Transformative and Maintenance & Modernization.

The Transformative category focuses on major capital projects, generally in excess of \$5 million total project cost, such as bridges, interchanges, and major roadway or transit projects. Transformative category funding may be allocated over multiple funding rounds. The Maintenance and Modernization (M&M) category covers almost all other types of projects, such as minor capacity-enhancing projects, non-motorized transportation, technology, and ongoing maintenance.

POLICY / RULE

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 10405 Amending Financial Policies of the City of Folsom regarding grant administration on April 14, 2020. Section D – Intergovernmental Revenues, Paragraph A – Grant Applications states, “Grant application shall be the responsibility of the department seeking the grant. Grant applications which require an expenditure of funds by the City of less than or equal to the City Manager contract authority amount may be approved by the City Manager prior to submittal to the grantor. All other grant applications, including any requiring an ongoing commitment of resources or staff, shall be reviewed and approved by the City Council prior to submittal. In circumstances where it is not possible for the City Council to approve the grant application prior to submittal, the City Manager may approve the application subject to the City Council ratification as soon as practicable to do so.

Requests to the City Council or the City Manager for approval of a grant application shall identify anticipated long-term maintenance and/or renovation costs, required City matching funds, and additional personnel that may be needed if the grant is awarded for a capital project. With respect to grants for staffing, the source of funds for long-term staffing after the expiration of the grant shall also be identified in the request for approval of the grant application.

All grant applications on behalf of the City shall be reviewed by the Finance Director before submittal to the City Council or the grantor.”

ANALYSIS

In the previous funding round (2020-21), staff submitted 10 grant applications to SACOG and was awarded over \$11 million in funding for four of the 10 projects; the 2020-21 results are summarized below:

- US50/East Bidwell Improvement Project (Transformative): \$4.6 million
- ITS Master Plan Implementation (M&M): \$4.3 million
- US50/Empire Ranch Interchange (Transformative): \$2.5 million (staff requested \$10 million)

- Natoma Street Drainage, Phase 2 (M&M): Not awarded
- Folsom-Placerville Rail Trail (M&M): Not awarded
- Oak Avenue Complete Streets (M&M): Not awarded
- Blue Ravine Road Pavement Rehab (M&M): Not awarded
- Folsom Boulevard Bicycle Overcrossing (M&M): Not awarded
- Central Business District Streetscape (CD): \$100,000
- American River Canyon Road Diet (M&M): Not awarded

Staff from the Public Works and Parks & Recreation Departments collaborated to compile a list of candidate projects for possible grant funds. Once the project list was finalized, staff then determined the relative priority of each project; this is a requirement of the SACOG grant program guidelines and will help their selection committee in understanding the priorities of any agency that submits multiple applications. In this case, staff listed the projects that were previously submitted as higher priority than newly created projects, but this can be adjusted prior to submitting the grant applications. The attached table (Table 1) describes the list of projects identified by staff and the recommended priority ranking.

Grant applications are due on January 25, 2023 (M&M category) and February 8, 2023 (Transformative category). SACOG staff will review the applications and make funding recommendations to their committees and Board by April 2023, with final implementation expected in July 2023.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no direct financial impact associated with this action at this point. Should the City be awarded grant funding for any of these projects, the City would be required to provide local matching funds of approximately 11 percent of the amount granted. Once any of the projects are awarded grant funding staff will return to Council to identify the source of the match required and accept the grant if approved.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This action is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution No. 10961 - A Resolution Authorizing Staff to Submit Grant Applications to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments for the 2022-23 Funding Round
2. Table 1: SACOG 2022-23 Funding Round, City of Folsom Applications

Submitted,

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Attachment 1

Resolution No. 10961

RESOLUTION NO. 10961

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE 2022-23 FUNDING ROUND

WHEREAS, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is the metropolitan planning organization responsible for allocating State transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, SACOG has issued a call for applications for the 2022-23 transportation funding round; and

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom has identified ten projects that are candidates for State transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, staff has evaluated the nine projects and has recommended a priority ranking of each project relative to each other; and

WHEREAS, once the projects that are grant funded are identified, staff will return to Council for approval of the source of the required match funding; and

WHEREAS, the projects identified for grant funding are summarized in Table 1 attached to the staff report for approval of this resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom authorizes staff to submit grant applications to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments for the 2022-23 funding round.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of December 2022, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):

NOES: Councilmember(s):

ABSENT: Councilmember(s):

ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

Attachment 2

SACOG 2022-23 Funding Round, City of Folsom Applications

Table 1: SACOG 2022-23 Funding Round – City of Folsom Grant Applications

Priority	Project Title	Project Description
1	US50/Empire Ranch Interchange	Construct new freeway interchange at Empire Ranch Road and US 50 (funding request over multiple funding rounds)
2	Natoma Street Drainage Phase 2	Realign, replace, and rehabilitate storm drain facilities on Natoma Street between Scott Street and Riley Street and on Riley Street between Natoma Street and Mormon Street
3	Folsom Placerville Rail Trail	Construct Class I trail in rail corridor parallel to E. Bidwell Street from north of Oak Avenue Parkway to Iron Point Road
4	Oak Avenue Complete Streets	Between Folsom-Auburn Road and Baldwin Dam Road, widen to four lanes and construct Class I (or IV) bike facility; intersection capacity improvements at Folsom-Auburn Road and at Baldwin Dam Road
5	Blue Ravine Pavement Rehab	Asphalt Concrete Pavement resurfacing and ADA access improvements on Blue Ravine Road between Prairie City Road and Oak Avenue Parkway
6	American River Canyon Drive Road Diet	Reduce American River Canyon Drive from four lanes to two lanes with buffered and widened Class II bike lanes and roundabouts at key intersections along the corridor
7	East Bidwell Trail Undercrossing	Construct bicycle trail tunnel under East Bidwell Street at US-50 between future Dignity Hospital site and future UC Davis Medical Center site
8	Santa Juanita Avenue Curve	Planning, preliminary design and environmental clearance for re-alignment of Santa Juanita Avenue at Placer County line
9	Roundabout Policy Planning Study	Analyze potential roundabout priority locations to determine cost and feasibility
10	Trail Repair and Maintenance	Funding to rehabilitate/repair the existing paved multi-purpose trail system