



City Council Agenda Report

Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

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Subject:

Adopt Resolution Certifying compliance with State Housing Laws in order to receive \$7,298,096.00 in One Bay Area Grant Cycle 3 (OBAG 3) funding for the San Antonio Complete Streets Project

COUNCIL PRIORITY AREA

- Business Communities
- Circulation Safety and Efficiency
- Environmental Sustainability
- Housing
- Neighborhood Safety Infrastructure
- General Government

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution to certify compliance with the State housing laws that is required for receiving One Bay Area Grant Cycle 3 (OBAG 3) funding for the San Antonio Complete Streets Project.

POLICY QUESTION(S) FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

None

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact by adopting this resolution.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed grant is exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines since there would be no possibility of a significant effect on the environment.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) established the One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) in May 2012. The intent of the OBAG program is to better integrate the region's Federal Transportation program with the region's Sustain Communities Strategy (SCS) and Plan Bay Area 2050. Also, to incorporate California's climate law, Senate Bill 375 (SB 375), the SCS aligned regional transportation planning with land use and housing to meet state greenhouse gas reduction. The intent of the funding is to encourage land use and housing programs and policies that support the production of housing with supportive transportation.

In January 2022, MTC adopted the program's third round of funding (OBAG 3) which included \$750 million in federal funding for projects to be funded from 2024 through 2026. Staff submitted an OBAG 3 competitive grant funding application for \$9,122,000.00. Of the total project cost, OBAG 3 will contribute \$7,298,096.00, and the remaining \$1,824,000 will be the City's match for the project. To remain eligible for the grant, the City must self-certify our housing element.

The project scope is to reconstruct San Antonio from El Camino Real to Foothill Expressway, median landscaping will be reconstructed with new landscape planting, streetlights will be upgraded to meet current standards, the existing traffic signal will be modified, and other complete street elements will be installed.

The OBAG 3 grant policies for project selection and programming consist of several requirements from the local jurisdiction project to comply with and to be eligible to receive the OBAG 3 funding. To comply with the grant's intent, the city must reiterate its support for the adopted City's housing element by resolution. The resolution is a self-certifying compliance with various State housing laws related to surplus lands, accessory dwelling units, and density bonuses.

Upon adoption of this resolution, staff will submit a copy of this resolution to MTC as a part of the OBAG 3 funding requirement. The remaining outstanding OBAG 3 grant compliance item that staff will be working on in the near future will be the State's Local Streets and Roads survey. Currently, it is anticipated that MTC will have this survey out no later than October 2024. Once the State's Local Streets and Road survey has been submitted, Staff hopes to receive a notice to proceed for design by January 2025. At this time, Staff anticipates construction of the San Antonio Complete Streets project from Foothill Expressway to El Camino Real to begin by May 2026.

ATTACHMENT

1. Resolution