



Date: October 22, 2024

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Danielle McHugh, Transportation Program Analyst and Jessica Thompson, Senior Engineer

Title: **Local Partnership Program Grant Applications for Reimagine Bridge Street (C1805)**

Jen Callaway, Town Manager

Recommended Action: Council adopt Resolutions 2024-60 and 2024-61 authorizing applications for the Local Partnership Program (LPP) Formulaic and Competitive Grants as outlined in this staff report for the Reimagine Bridge Street Project, and authorizing the Town Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary for submitting the grant application.

Discussion: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1) created the Local Partnership Program (LPP) and continuously appropriates \$200 million annually from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account to local and regional transportation agencies that have sought and received voter approval of taxes or that have imposed fees, which taxes or fees are dedicated solely for transportation improvements. On August 15, 2024, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) issued the 2024 LPP Guidelines for both the Formulaic Program and the Competitive Program, which includes Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27.

Eligible projects for LPP funding include:

Improvements to the local road system, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Major roadway rehabilitation, resurfacing, or reconstruction that extends its useful life by at least 15 years;
- New construction and facilities to increase capacity, improve mobility, or enhance safety; and
- Safety or operational improvements that are intended to reduce accidents and fatalities or improve traffic flow on that segment.

The Reimagine Bridge Street project (C1805) will replace the stop-controlled Bridge Street/Donner Pass Road and Bridge Street/West River Street intersections with coordinated traffic signals, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, and railroad safety improvements, including new sidewalks, crosswalks, lighting, and underground utilities. Staff believes the Reimagine Bridge Street project meets the requirements of the LPP programs. The Fiscal Year 24/25 budget estimated construction costs for the Reimagine Bridge Street project is approximately \$7 million. Funding for the project includes \$1 million in Priority Legislative Budget Project (PLBP) funding, made possible through the support of Senator Alvarado and staff anticipates the allocation of an additional \$249,648 in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds.

Staff recommends applying for \$400,000 in LPP Formulaic Funds and an additional \$3,000,000 in LPP Competitive funds. Both programs require a one-to-one match, which can be met with Traffic Impact Fee, PLBP, and HSIP funding already committed to the project.

In order to apply for the LPP grants, staff is recommending that Council adopt the attached Resolutions 2024-60 and -61 (Attachments 1 and 2).

Priority:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Infrastructure Investment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Core Service

Fiscal Impact: Should the Town be successful in obtaining this grant it would result in up to \$3,400,000 in LPP funding for the Reimagine Bridge Street Project, which would require up to a \$3,400,000 match, which would be provided with Traffic Impact Fee and PLBP that are already included in the adopted budget.

Public Communication: None beyond this Staff Report and associated Agenda posting.

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Resolution 2024-60, LPP Formulaic Application

Attachment 2: Resolution 2024-61, LPP Competitive Application