



AGENDA REPORT

Public Works

DATE:	January 25, 2022
TO:	Mayor Butt and Members of the City Council
FROM: <i>(List all relevant/responsive staff persons)</i>	Joe Leach, Public Works Director Patrick Phelan, Infrastructure Administrator
Subject: <i>(This will appear on the agenda)</i>	Application for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Pedestrian and Bicycle Funding for Fiscal Year 2022-23 for the Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements project
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	The proposed grant funds of \$178,400 along with West Contra Costa County Transportation Advisory Committee's appropriation of \$241,000 and a contribution of \$28,000 from Chevron would cover the entire cost of the project. No matching funds are required.
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: <i>(List all dates items were heard or council action took place)</i>	None
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	City staff submitted an application for the TDA3 fund which included a sample resolution. The proposed project is titled "Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements" and will improve bicycle and pedestrian travel to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: <i>(This will appear on the agenda)</i>	ADOPT a resolution authorizing a request to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the allocation of Fiscal Year 2022-23 Transportation Development Act Article 3 pedestrian/bicycle project funding for the Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements project; and to ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE the funds should the grant be awarded –

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DISCUSSION:

In November 2021, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) solicited applications for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDA3) funds for pedestrian and bicycle projects. Each city may submit one project for consideration which must be reviewed by the county or local Bicycle Advisory Committee. The Richmond Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (R-BPAC) voted to approve the “Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements” project on January 10, 2022.

This project is an essential element of the City’s effort to carry out Key Corridor recommendations of the Ferry to Bridge to Greenway Complete Streets Plan (F2B2G) by completing the spine Bay Trail between the Richmond Ferry Terminal and the Richmond-San Rafael (RSR) Bridge Trail. This project will extend a two-way protected bikeway to the RSR Bridge trailhead at Castro Street and make pedestrian safety improvements en route through the Point Richmond Historic District. This TDA grant would complete funding for the project when added to WCCTAC’s Subregional Transportation Mitigation Program funding allocation in the amount of \$241,000. The project is a very high priority due to the heavy cyclist and pedestrian traffic through this congested area with 195,000 bicyclist and pedestrian trips over the RSR Bridge Trail since November 2019.

The project will implement F2B2G Plan Interim Design Concepts and 30% engineering design plans. In summary, the final construction documents will incorporate the following cyclist and pedestrian safety improvements:

- Installation of protected two-way cycle tracks
- Reconfiguration of motor vehicle parking
- High visibility crosswalks with ADA-compliant curb ramps
- Sidewalk extensions to reduce street crossing distances
- AC Transit bus stop relocation and improvements to accommodate the cycle track
- Wayfinding signs and pavement markings

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

- Attachment 1 – Resolution
- Attachment 2 – TDA Article 3 Application Form
- Attachment 3 – Application Attachments
- Attachment 4 – Call For Projects Letter