

RESOLUTION NO. 16164

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY SUPPORTING THE US 101/WOODSIDE ROAD (SR 84) INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY'S 2023 MEASURE A AND MEASURE W HIGHWAY PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THE US 101/WOODSIDE ROAD (SR 84) INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the CITY OF REDWOOD CITY (herein referred to as "City") is applying to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (herein referred to as "TA") for \$78,861,000 in Measure A and/or Measure W Highway Program funds for construction (herein referred to as "PROJECT SCOPE") for the US 101/Woodside Road (SR 84) Interchange Improvement Project (herein referred to as "PROJECT"); and

WHEREAS, the US 101/Woodside Road (SR 84) Interchange and surrounding intersections: 1) regularly exceed their capacity, causing congestion and resulting queuing onto the freeway and local streets; 2) are challenging to navigate for people who walk or ride a bicycle along Woodside Road and Seaport Boulevard; and 3) generally do not meet the operational and safety needs of the City of Redwood City; and

WHEREAS, the City, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation and the TA, is developing PROJECT to relieve existing and future traffic congestion, and to improve traffic safety and vehicular access to and from US 101 and Woodside Road; and PROJECT will provide substantial local, regional, state and federal transportation benefits by enhancing safety, access and circulation for all users, and add value to existing and planned residential, commercial, industrial and institutional land uses on both sides of US 101; and

WHEREAS, the City completed the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA & ED) phase of PROJECT in December 2016, which resulted in a preferred alternative that would improve future traffic operations and safety at the interchange and local intersections compared to the no-build case and construct new pedestrian and bicycle facilities where none currently exist, which will provide direct, safe connections across US 101 to the Bayfront area; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently conducting the Plans, Specifications & Estimates/Right of Way (PS&E/RW) phase of PROJECT using TA Highway Program funds and City matching funds, which will develop bid documents for construction, coordinate utility relocations and acquire property; the 95% PS&E package was completed and reviewed by Caltrans in mid 2020, when the City paused PS&E and utility coordination work because PROJECT was not fully funded; and the City has restarted these activities; and

WHEREAS, the City's engineering consultant is completing required appraisal mapping to inform Right of Way appraisals and acquisition. The City's right of way consultant provided advice and a confidential draft property acquisition cost estimate based on research and field reviews, which was used by City to develop estimated acquisition costs for PROJECT. The City has initiated property acquisition activities, starting with appraisals; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to sponsor PROJECT SCOPE, and

WHEREAS, the total Project cost is estimated at \$322.25 million for all phases of work; and

WHEREAS, as part of the 2012 Highway Call for Projects, the TA awarded \$8,910 for PA&ED and PS&E/Right of Way Support, and as part of the 2015 Highway Call for Projects, the TA awarded \$2,650,000 for PS&E and right-of way, and as part of the 2017 Highway Call for Projects, the TA awarded \$20 million toward the project for right-of-way, and as part of the 2021 Highway Call for Projects, the TA awarded \$50 million for construction; and

WHEREAS, the City understands the TA will not provide more than 50% of a total Project cost and the requested \$78,861,000 for PROJECT SCOPE is the 50% maximum TA contribution based on the current Project cost; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 1988, the voters of San Mateo County approved a ballot measure to allow the collection and distribution by the TA of a half-cent transactions and use tax in San Mateo County for 25 years, with the tax revenues to be used for highway and transit improvements pursuant to the Transportation Expenditure Plan presented to the voters (Original Measure A); and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2004, the voters of San Mateo County approved the continuation of the collection and distribution by the TA of the half-cent transactions and use tax for an additional 25 years to implement the 2004 Transportation Expenditure Plan beginning January 1, 2009 (New Measure A); and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2018, the voters of San Mateo County approved a ballot measure known as "Measure W," which increased the sales tax in San Mateo County by 1/2 percent, and tasked the TA with administering four of the five transportation program categories pursuant to the Congestion Relief Plan presented to the voters; and

WHEREAS, the TA issued a Call for Projects for the Measure A and Measure W Highway Program funds on July 5, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the TA requires applicants for Measure A and/or Measure W funds to submit a resolution in support of the application, in this case for \$78,861,000 in Measure A Highway Program funds for PROJECT SCOPE; and

WHEREAS, TA staff will consider an exception to the 2023 Highway CFP guidelines for work to begin within one-year of an award as the City continues to work toward fully funding the project; and

WHEREAS, the TA also requires applicants to submit a resolution committing to the completion of the proposed project scope, in this case PROJECT SCOPE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDWOOD CITY AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes and directs its City Manager or designee to execute and submit an application for \$78,861,000 of TA 2023 Measure A and Measure W Highway Program funds for PROJECT SCOPE.

RESOLVED that the City is actively seeking \$105,000,000 in other grant matching funds for the completion of PROJECT SCOPE, if awarded the requested TA Measure A and/or Measure W Highway Program funds.

RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute a funding agreement with the San Mateo County Transportation Authority for the City to receive any Measure A and/or Measure W Highway Program funds awarded.

RESOLVED that this Resolution will be effective upon adoption.

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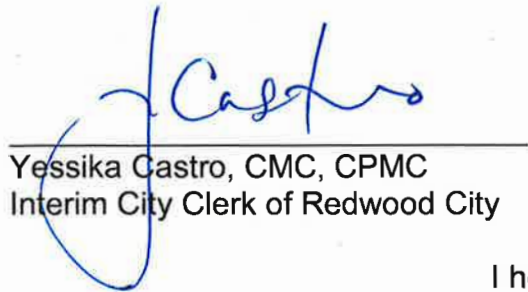
Passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Redwood City at a
Joint City Council/Successor Agency Board/Public Financing Authority Meeting
thereof held on the 24th day of July 2023 by the following votes:

AYES: Aguirre, Eakin, Howard, Martinez Saballos, Sturken, Vice
Mayor Espinoza-Garnica, and Mayor Gee
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None
RECUSED: None



Jeff Gee
Mayor of the City of Redwood City

Attest:



Yessika Castro, CMC, CPMC
Interim City Clerk of Redwood City

I hereby approve the foregoing resolution this
24th day July 2023.



Jeff Gee
Mayor of the City of Redwood City