



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDER

November 12, 2013

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager

Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront

Subject: Grant Application: Priority Conservation Area Grant Program for the Bay Trail Extension Segment 3, Restroom, and Staging Area Project

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to submit a grant application to the Priority Conservation Area (PCA) grant program of the State Coastal Conservancy for \$1,000,000; accept any grants; execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; authorize the use of \$380,000 in local match from the Marina Fund for the project; and authorize the implementation of the project and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The total project budget is estimated at \$2,140,000 and funding is comprised of the following: a) the grant request to the State Coastal Conservancy PCA grant program for \$1,000,000, if awarded; b) a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Cosco Busan program of \$600,000, received March 2013; c) a grant from the California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBAW) of \$160,000, received Fall 2011; and d) Marina Funds in the amount of \$380,000 that will be budgeted for the project in FY 2015.

| FUNDING | Amount | Budget Code |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| State Coastal Conservancy PCA grant request | \$1,000,000 | Fund 626 |
| National Fish & Wildlife Fdn Cosco Busan grant received | \$600,000 | 421-5950-450.65-70 |
| DBAW grant received for project design | \$160,000 | 628-5949-450.30-35 |
| City of Berkeley Marina Fund | \$380,000 | 825-5950-450.65-81 |
| Total project budget | \$2,140,000 | |

If this grant is awarded to the City, these funds will be appropriated as part of the Second Amendment to the FY 2014 Annual Appropriation Ordinance. CMS No. AYSJ1.

CURRENT SITUATION

On May 3, 2013, The State Coastal Conservancy (SCC), in cooperation with Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), issued a call for project proposals for the Priority Conservation

Area Grant Program. This pilot program focuses on the Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties. MTC has made \$5 million of federal funds available and the SCC has made \$2.5 million available for a combined total of \$7.5 million. On July 19, 2013, the City submitted a Letter of Interest proposing the Bay Trail Extension Segment 3, Restroom, and Staging Area Project, and on September 6, 2013, the City was invited to submit a formal application, due November 15, 2013. Funding decisions will be made in the Spring of 2014.

The goal of the PCA Program is to support Plan Bay Area, which is the long-range transportation and land-use/housing plan for the San Francisco Bay Area. It includes the Bay Area's Regional Transportation Plan, which MTC updates every four years, and ABAG's demographic and economic forecast, which is updated every two years. Eligible projects would do one of the following: protect or enhance resource areas or habitats, provide or enhance bicycle and pedestrian access to open space/parkland resources, or support the agricultural economy of the region.

Since a significant portion of the Bay Trail Extension has already been designed, staff has determined that the Bay Trail Extension is the most appropriate of the City's current parks projects to compete for this grant program. The total proposed project budget is estimated at \$2,140,000, and the project will consist of the following elements at the South Sailing Cove at the Berkeley Marina:

- Construction of the Bay Trail Extension in the area adjacent to the two sailing clubs at the south sailing docks (estimated cost of \$670,000);
- Renovation of the eastern portion of the large gravel parking lot and windsurf rigging area adjacent to segment one of the Bay Trail Extension (estimated cost of \$870,000); and
- Installation of a new public restroom at that location (estimated cost of \$600,000).

BACKGROUND

The Bay Trail Extension to the Berkeley Marina is a spur of the San Francisco Bay Trail that will provide bicycle and pedestrian access from the main spine of the Bay Trail at West Frontage Road into the Marina along the south side of University Avenue. The first segment of the trail ends at the parking lot by the South Sailing Basin. When fully built, the project will continue to Hs. Lordship's Restaurant, and from there it will run along the water's edge at Seawall Drive and end at the Berkeley Yacht Club.

On January 27, 2004, Council adopted the Design Plan and a Mitigated Negative Declaration and authorized the City Manager to apply for grant funding for construction of the Bay Trail Extension – Phase One (Resolution No. 62,375-N.S.)

On May 23, 2006, Council authorized the City Manager to execute a contract with 2M Associates to produce construction bid documents for segment one. Construction bid documents were completed in 2008 (Resolution No. 63,308-N.S.)

On December 8, 2009, the Council authorized the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for a federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) grant in the amount of \$1,928,000; accept the grant if awarded; and execute the resultant agreements (Resolution No. 64,709-N.S.)

On November 9, 2010, Council authorized the City Manager to accept and execute a \$355,000 grant from the California Coastal Conservancy (Resolution No. 65,086-N.S.)

On December 15, 2011, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated \$1,928,000 in STIP TE funds for the project (Caltrans Project No. RP STPL 5057 (038).

On May 29, 2012, Council awarded the construction contract for segment one of the Bay Trail Extension to Redgwick Construction Company for the amount of their Bid (\$1,480,512.50), and a 15% construction contingency for an amount not to exceed \$222,077, for a total spending authority not-to-exceed \$1,702,589 (Resolution No. 65,746–N.S.) Construction of segment one of the Bay Trail Extension will be completed by the fall of 2013.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

In the fall of 2013, the City will have completed segment one of the Bay Trail Extension at the Berkeley Marina. City staff has determined that the next segment of the Bay Trail Extension, along the South Sailing Cove docks, would be the most appropriate of the City's current parks projects to compete for the Priority Conservation Areas (PCA) grant program, sponsored jointly by the State Coastal Conservancy, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG).

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. -N.S

GRANT APPLICATION: PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA (PCA) GRANT PROGRAM OF THE STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY FOR \$1,000,000, AND \$380,000 IN LOCAL MATCH FROM THE MARINA FUND

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2013, the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC), in cooperation with Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), issued a call for project proposals for the Priority Conservation Area Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, this pilot program focuses on the Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs) in Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties. MTC has made \$5 million of federal funds available and the SCC has made \$2.5 million available for a combined total of \$7.5 million; and

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2013, the City submitted a Letter of Interest proposing the Bay Trail Extension Segment 3, Restroom, and Staging Area Project, and on September 6, 2013, the City was invited to submit a formal application, due November 15, 2013. Funding decisions will be made in the Spring of 2014; and

WHEREAS, since a significant portion of the Bay Trail Extension has already been designed, staff has determined that the Bay Trail Extension is the most appropriate of the City's current parks projects to compete for this grant program; and

WHEREAS, the total proposed project budget is estimated at \$2,140,000, and the project will consist of the following elements at the South Sailing Cove at the Berkeley Marina: construction of the Bay Trail Extension in the area adjacent to the two sailing clubs at the south sailing docks (estimated cost of \$670,000); renovation of the eastern portion of the large gravel parking lot and windsurf rigging area adjacent to segment one of the Bay Trail Extension (estimated cost of \$870,000); and installation of a new public restroom at that location (estimated cost of \$600,000); and

WHEREAS, the project funding will be comprised of the following: a) a grant from the State Coastal Conservancy PCA grant program for \$1,000,000, if awarded (Fund 626); b) a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Cosco Busan program of \$600,000, received March 2013 (budget code 421-5950-450.65-70); c) a grant from the California Department of Boating and Waterways (DBAW) of \$160,000 (budget code 628-5949-450.30-35), received Fall 2011; and d) Marina Funds in the amount of \$380,000 that have been budgeted for the project in FY 2015 (budget code 825-5950-450.65-81). CMS No. AYSJ1.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to submit a grant application to the Priority Conservation Area (PCA) grant program of the State Coastal Conservancy for \$1,000,000; accept any grants; execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments; authorize the use of \$380,000 in local match from the Marina Fund for the project; and authorize the implementation of the project and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.