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CONSENT CALENDAR
December 13, 2005

To: Members of the City Council

From: Mayor Tom Bates
Councilmember Max Anderson
Councilmember Kriss Worthington

Subject: Ed Roberts Campus Transportation for Livable Communities Grant Application

RECOMMENDATION

Rescind resolution number 63-107 N.S. as previously adopted by the City Council and adopt a new resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Capital Program, Fiscal Years 2006-09 for funds in the amount up to \$3,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 for transportation enhancements related to the Ed Roberts Campus at the Ashby BART Station; and accept the grant, and execute any resultant agreements and amendments.

BACKGROUND

On November 15, 2005 the City Council unanimously approved resolution 63-107 N.S. authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Capital Program, Fiscal Years 2006-09 for funds in the amount up to \$3,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 for transportation enhancements related to the Ed Roberts Campus at the Ashby BART Station; and accept the grant, and execute any resultant agreements and amendments.

Shortly after passage we were informed the language of the prior resolution was insufficient for the CMA. Specifically the CMA requires assurances from the City of Berkeley that it would carry out the project according to the agreed upon deadlines, provide a local match if ultimately deemed necessary, and the City of Berkeley would not request additional funding from the TLC Capital Program if there is a shortfall.

The previously approved Council item and resolution are attached.

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RESOLUTION NO. – N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION FUNDS THROUGH THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FOR **TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS TO ASHBY BART STATION/ED ROBERTS CAMPUS** AND STATING THE ASSURANCE OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the regulations promulgated thereunder, eligible project sponsors wishing to receive federal transportation grants for a project shall submit an application first with the appropriate metropolitan transportation planning organization (MPO) for review and consideration in the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission is the San Francisco Bay Area's MPO; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley is an eligible project sponsor for federal transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley wishes to receive federal transportation funds through CMA's Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Program's capital grants for the following project:

The **Transportation Enhancements to Ashby BART Station/Ed Roberts Campus** project, which includes the construction of universally-designed ramps, staircases, elevator, pedestrian pathway and plaza, pedestrian scale lighting, street trees and landscaping, Adeline Street crosswalk and median improvements, and a bus shelter with a transit information kiosk.

WHEREAS, CMA requires a resolution stating the following:

- 1) that the sponsor understands that the federal funding through the TLC program is fixed at the programmed amount, and therefore any cost increase cannot be expected to be funded through the TLC program; and
- 2) the assurance of the sponsor to complete the project as described in the application, and, if approved, as programmed in CMA's TIP; and
- 3) that the sponsor understands that funds must be obligated by the obligation deadline for TLC capital projects, or the project may be removed from the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Berkeley City Council that the City of Berkeley is authorized to proceed with the federal-aid process with Caltrans for TLC funding in the amount of \$3,000,000 for Transportation Enhancements to Ashby BART Station/Ed Roberts Campus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Berkeley City Council by adopting this resolution hereby states that:

1) The City of Berkeley understands that the TLC Program funding for the project is fixed at \$7,132,000, and that any cost increases must be funded by the City of Berkeley from local matching funds, and that the City of Berkeley does not expect any cost increases to be funded through the TLC program; and

2) The Transportation Enhancements to Ashby BART Station/Ed Roberts Campus project will be built as described in this resolution and submitted application and, if approved, for the amount shown in the

Metropolitan Transportation Commission (CMA) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with obligation occurring within the timeframe established below; and

3) The program funds will be obligated by MTC's obligation deadlines for TLC capital projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be transmitted to CMA.

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RECOMMENDATION

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FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION:

The City, on behalf of the Ed Roberts Campus, is requesting up to \$3,000,000 in TLC capital grant funds to support the construction of significant transportation enhancements which will improve the safety and access of pedestrians, bicyclists, wheelchair users and other individuals with impairments that limit mobility at the Ashby BART Station.

The grant program does not require any matching funds from the City of Berkeley. The Ed Roberts Campus (ERC) is listed in the Regional 2030 Transportation Plan as a Tier 1 project for \$5.2 million, and these TLC funds would count towards that commitment. The TLC Program funds transportation infrastructure improvements to pedestrian, bicycle and transit facilities. The ERC is the only Berkeley project listed in the plan that is eligible for the TLC grant.

BACKGROUND

The Ed Roberts Campus project has been designed to improve safety and access to the Ashby BART Station and contiguous streets for pedestrians, bicyclists and people with disabilities. It will provide universal access for large numbers of people with disabilities and is expected to significantly increase ridership at the Ashby BART Station with increased interconnectivity to AC Transit, paratransit, etc. Bicycle access to the station will be encouraged with improved signage and secure bike parking.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

If awarded, this grant would provide funds for the construction of significant bicycle and pedestrian improvements including a universally designed bus shelter and information kiosk for bus riders on the east side of Adeline Street; a new ramp, staircase, and multi-use pathway from Tremont Street to Adeline Street through the BART parking lot which will have new pedestrian-scale lighting and landscaping designed to improve public safety; a new crosswalk on Adeline Street with in-pavement

lights, bollards, and median refuge; and a new public elevator and staircase with bike channels from Adeline Street to the BART station entrance below

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RESOLUTION NO. N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY (ACCMA) TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES (TLC) CAPITAL PROGRAM, FISCAL YEARS 2006-09 FOR FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$3,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS RELATED TO THE ED ROBERTS CAMPUS AT THE ASHBY BART STATION; AND ACCEPT THE GRANT, AND EXECUTE ANY RESULTANT AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley supports the development of the Ed Roberts Campus (ERC), a center dedicated to opportunity and equality for people with disabilities that will provide numerous programs and services for people with disabilities under one roof, easily accessible by public transportation; and

WHEREAS, the ERC is a nationally recognized transit oriented development to be located at the Ashby BART Station in south Berkeley, an intermodal station that connects riders to AC Transit fixed route bus service, paratransit, taxis, trains, and the Oakland and San Francisco International airports; and

WHEREAS, the City, on behalf of the ERC, is requesting up to \$3,000,000 in TLC capital grant funds to support the construction of significant transportation enhancements which will improve the safety of pedestrians, bicyclists wheelchair users and other individuals with impairments that limit mobility at the Ashby BART Station; and

WHEREAS, the ERC is listed for Tier 1 funding in the Regional 2030 Transportation Plan in the amount of \$5.2 million, and the TLC grant would count toward realizing that funding commitment; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, this grant would provide funds for the construction of significant bicycle and pedestrian improvements including a universally designed bus shelter and information kiosk for transit users on the east side of Adeline Street; a new ramp, staircase, and multi-use pathway from Tremont Street to Adeline Street through the BART parking lot which will have new pedestrian-scale lighting and landscaping designed to improve public safety; a new crosswalk on Adeline Street with in-pavement lights, bollards, and median refuge; and a new public elevator and staircase with bike channels from Adeline Street to the BART station entrance below; and

WHEREAS, there is no matching requirement for this TLC grant program, and the ERC is the only Berkeley project listed in the plan that is eligible for the TLC grant; and

WHEREAS, the City's Office of Transportation has participated in the project planning.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Berkeley authorizes the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA) Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Capital Program, Fiscal Years 2006-09 for funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2006-07 for transportation enhancements related to the Ed Roberts Campus at the Ashby BART Station; and accept the grant, and execute any resultant agreements and amendments.