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**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Finance and Information Technology

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Adopting a Resolution of Local Support of \$579,000 of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) programmed federal funds for the “Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Project.”

SUMMARY:

- MTC convened a competitive \$31 million call for projects to launch its new Bay Area Climate Initiatives Innovative Grant Program.
- Of this, \$579,000 was made available to the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) for a San Francisco specific SRTS program.
- SFMTA submitted a grant application through the SFCTA to MTC for the Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School Project (Project). The Project will provide improvements to pedestrian and bicycle safety as well as improvements to local air quality on the streets near Sunset Elementary and Giannini Middle Schools in the Outer Sunset District of San Francisco.
- At its July 27, 2011 meeting, MTC approved funding of \$579,000 of federal funds for the Project.
- As an eligible recipient of federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds through Caltrans, SFMTA will serve as the Program’s fiscal agent.
- MTC requires that the grantee adopt a Resolution of Local Support for the Project that stipulates how the SFMTA will comply with MTC’s policies governing project delivery.

ENCLOSURES:

SFMTAB Resolution

APPROVALS:

DATE

DIRECTOR OF DIVISION

PREPARING ITEM _____

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DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION _____

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ADOPTED RESOLUTION

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this item is to adopt a Resolution of Local Support for the Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School Project that stipulates how the SFMTA will comply with MTC's policies governing project delivery.

GOAL

This action supports the following SFMTA Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal 4—Financial Capacity: To ensure financial stability and effective resource utilization.

4.2 Ensure efficient and effective use of resources

DESCRIPTION

In the spring of 2010, MTC convened a competitive \$31 million call for projects to launch its new Bay Area Climate Initiatives Innovative Grant Program. SFMTA submitted a grant application to the San Francisco Transportation Authority (SFCTA) for the Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School Project (Project). The project will provide improvements to pedestrian and bicycle safety as well as improvements to local air quality on the streets near Sunset Elementary and Giannini Middle Schools in the Outer Sunset District.

At its July 27, 2011 meeting, the MTC approved funding of \$579,000 of federal CMAQ funds for the Project after the Project grant application was approved by the SFCTA.

The key next step toward securing the grant is having the SFMTA Board approve a Resolution of Local Support for the Project. The Board is requested to stipulate in the Resolution that:

1. SFMTA will provide \$225,000 in non-federal matching funds; and
2. That any cost increases must be funded by SFMTA and that SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with additional CMAQ funding; and
3. SFMTA understands the funding deadlines associated with these funds and will comply with the provisions and requirements of the Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, as revised); and
4. The Project will be implemented as described in the submitted application and in this resolution and, if approved, for the amount programmed in the MTC federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and
5. SFMTA and the Project will comply with the requirements as set forth in MTC's Bay Area Climate Initiatives Program.

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ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The project would be delayed if SFMTA chooses not to take this action.

FUNDING IMPACT

The application for \$579,000 requires a non-federal match of at least 11.47% of the total project cost. SFMTA is proposing a higher match of 28% or \$225,000 to improve the application competitiveness. The match will be provided by a combination of SFMTA Operating funds, Proposition K funds, and/or other sources as needed as follows:

- SFMTA Operating Funds: \$50,000 in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Sustainable Streets budget.
- Proposition K funds managed by the San Francisco County Transportation Agency: Under the Proposition K Five Year Prioritization Plan category, “Bicycle Circulation and Safety,” there are sufficient funds programmed to be utilized as local match for the federal grant in the amount of \$175,000.
- Other Fund Sources: These include local funds that may become available to help provide the required matching funds.

OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

This is the only approval needed by MTC to secure the grant.

The City Attorney has reviewed this report.

RECOMMENDATION

SFMTA staff requests that the SFMTA Board approve the attached Resolution of Local Support in order for the MTC to program \$579,000 of federal CMAQ funds to the Project.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) has submitted an application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for \$579,000 in funding from the federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) program for the Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School Project (Project) for the MTC Resolution, No. 3925, New Federal Surface Transportation Act (FY 2009-10, FY 2010-11 and FY 2011-12) Cycle 1 CMAQ Program: Project Selection Criteria, Policy, Procedures and Programming (Program); and

WHEREAS, The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Public Law 109-59, August 10, 2005) authorized CMAQ (23 U.S.C. § 149) through September 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, SAFETEA-LU has been extended through December 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to SAFETEA-LU, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, eligible project sponsors wishing to receive federal CMAQ funds for a project shall submit an application first with the appropriate Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), for review and inclusion in the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, MTC is the MPO for the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay region; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted a Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, revised) that sets out procedures governing the application and use of CMAQ funds; and

WHEREAS, SFMTA is an eligible project sponsor for CMAQ funds; and

WHEREAS, As part of the application for CMAQ funding, MTC requires a resolution adopted by the responsible implementing agency stating the following:

- 1) the commitment of necessary local matching funds of at least 11.47%; and
- 2) that the sponsor understands that the CMAQ funding is fixed at the programmed amount, and therefore any cost increase cannot be expected to be funded with additional CMAQ funds; and
- 3) that the Project will comply with the procedures specified in Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, revised); and
- 4) the assurance of the sponsor to complete the Project as described in the application, and if approved, as included in MTC's TIP; and
- 5) that the Project will comply with all the project-specific requirements as set forth in the Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors adopts a Resolution of Support for the Outer Sunset Safe Routes to School Project under the CMAQ programs of SAFETEA-LU, any

extensions of SAFETEA-LU or any successor legislation for continued funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors, by adopting this Resolution, does state that:

1. SFMTA will provide \$225,000 in non-federal matching funds; and
2. SFMTA understands that the CMAQ funding for the project is fixed at the MTC approved programmed amount, and that any cost increases must be funded by the SFMTA from other funds, and that SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with additional CMAQ funding; and
3. SFMTA understands the funding deadlines associated with these funds and will comply with the provisions and requirements of the Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, as revised); and
4. The Project will be implemented as described in the complete application and in this resolution and, if approved, for the amount programmed in the MTC federal TIP; and
5. SFMTA and the Project will comply with the requirements as set forth in the program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That SFMTA is an eligible sponsor of CMAQ funded projects; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes its Director of Transportation to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the MTC; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the MTC is requested to support the application for the Project described in the Resolution and to include the Project, if approved, in MTC's TIP; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation or his designee to provide any further information as requested by MTC to secure the receipt of \$579,000 in CMAQ funding for this Project.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of _____.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency