



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: John Ristow

SUBJECT: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN
PROJECT GRANT – TDA3

DATE: May 16, 2022

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RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution:

- (a) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to submit a request to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the allocation of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Transportation Development Act, Article 3 (TDA3) State grant funding in the amount of \$1,410,036 for bicycle and pedestrian projects;
- (b) Making the certifications and assurances required under the TDA3 grant; and
- (c) Authorizing the City Manager or designee to accept TDA3 grant funding awarded from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and to negotiate and execute any grant documents to effectuate the grant.

OUTCOME

TDA3 grant funding for pedestrian and bicycle facilities will provide the community safer and more convenient routes for walking and biking in a way that is consistent with the City of San José's (City) *Better Bike Plan 2025*, *Vision Zero San José*, and *Envision San José 2040 General Plan*.

BACKGROUND

The state TDA3 grant provides cities with a guaranteed share of annual funding for the design and construction of pedestrian and bicycle transportation infrastructure. Funds are derived from state sales tax and allocated to cities based on population. Funds are transferred from the state to metropolitan planning organizations, then to county congestion management agencies, and finally to cities. In this process, the City's funds pass from the State to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, then to the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, and finally

to the City. For Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023, the City's guaranteed TDA3 funds total \$1,410,036. No local matching funds are required.

ANALYSIS

The TDA3 grant program generally funds low-cost pedestrian and bicycle projects such as bike lanes and routes, pedestrian safety improvements such as crosswalks, and bicycle safety and education programs. For FY 2022-2023, the following three projects are recommended for funding:

2022-2023 TDA3 Recommended Projects

	Recommended Projects	Amount
1.	Citywide Bikeway Implementation <i>Design, conduct outreach, prepare environmental analysis, and install bikeways throughout the city.</i>	\$1,110,036
2.	Pedestrian Safety Improvements <i>Construct pedestrian safety improvements citywide.</i>	\$200,000
3.	Citywide Bicycle Safety/Education <i>Support Vision Zero safety program pedestrian and bike efforts.</i>	\$100,000
	Total	\$1,410,036

The first project will fund several miles of new and enhanced bikeways in the City's *Better Bike Plan 2025*, advancing the City's goal of completing a 557-mile on-street bikeway network. Specific projects will be identified, prioritized, and constructed based on *Better Bike Plan 2025* priorities, requests from community members, suggestions from City Council offices, and opportunities in the City's Department of Transportation's annual Pavement Maintenance program. The Department of Transportation has completed 436 miles of on-street bikeways to date. The second project will install citywide pedestrian safety enhancements, such as crosswalks. Improvements and locations will be prioritized based on factors including project cost, adjacent land uses that support walking, and safety analysis. The third project will support Vision Zero bike safety/education programs, such as Walk n' Roll.

As part of the grant process, Metropolitan Transportation Commission requires the City Council to adopt a resolution making certain findings, as indicated in the related resolution. Staff is unaware of any issues that would prevent the City Council from adopting a resolution with these findings.

On April 4, 2022, the Transportation and Environment Committee accepted the Annual Bike Plan & Trail Network report, which included the FY 2022-2023 TDA3 funding recommendations described above.

CONCLUSION

The TDA3 grant funding will support the City's efforts to implement bikeway and pedestrian facility improvements and to provide bicycle safety education.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP

During FY 2022-2023, staff will identify and design specific projects for implementation using TDA3 grant funds. As part of its annual bike plan and trail status report to the Transportation and Environment Committee each spring, staff will provide an update on the projects funded by this TDA3 grant.

CLIMATE SMART SAN JOSE

The recommendation in this memorandum aligns with one or more Climate Smart San José energy, water, or mobility goals.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

This report will be posted on the City's website for the June 7, 2022 City Council meeting. Appropriate additional outreach will occur as projects are developed and implemented.

COORDINATION

Preparation of this report was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement, and the City Manager's Budget Office.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION/INPUT

On March 28, 2022, the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee reviewed the FY 2022-2023 TDA3 funding recommendations described above as part of the Department of Transportation's annual bikeways implementation update agenda item.

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COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

The proposed recommendations initiate a request for grant funding from the TDA3 program in the amount of \$1,410,036. The awarded revenue and corresponding project expense adjustments will be included as part of the FY 2023-2027 Adopted Capital Improvement Program.

CEQA

Categorically Exempt, File No. PP18-029, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

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