



# AGENDA REPORT

**Department:** City Clerk's Office  
**Prepared by:** Angelita Palma, Housing Programs Manager  
**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, December 6, 2022  
**Approved by:** Brad Raulston, City Manager

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**SUBJECT:**

SANDAG Smart Growth Incentive Program Grant Application for Planning Cycle 5 Funding

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, ratifying the submission of an application to San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) and ratifying an agreement with SANDAG and establishing fund appropriations and a corresponding revenue budget for the Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP) funds in the amount of \$294,477 for work performed on the Focused General Plan Update general tasks, Community engagement, Land Use Element, Mobility Element, Housing Element, Safety Element, PEIR, Climate Action Plan Update, and Spanish translation services."

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:**

Not Applicable.

**EXPLANATION:**

The San Diego Association of Governments ("SANDAG") Board of Directors allocates funds under the TransNet local sales tax program to support local transportation-related infrastructure projects in the San Diego region through a competitive process. The TransNet Extension Ordinance contains provisions to fund the Smart Growth Incentive Program ("SGIP") for which funding began on April 1, 2008. The SGIP encompasses projects that better integrate transportation and land use and recognizes the comprehensive effort to integrate smart growth place making, access to transit, and environmental justice. On November 19, 2021, SANDAG issued a call for projects from local jurisdictions in San Diego County wishing to apply for a portion of the TransNet SGIP funds for use on planning projects meeting certain criteria, and authorizing up to \$3 million from the SGIP to be used for planning projects.

In January 2022 the City of National City ("City") submitted an application to SANDAG for the SGIP funds. In June 2022 SANDAG notified the City of the SGIP grant award in the amount of \$294,477. An agreement was provided by SANDAG to the City in August 2022. The funding Agreement (Exhibit No. 1) will allocate the TransNet Extension Ordinance funding SANDAG received. The SANDAG funding commitment to the City is subject retail transactions and use tax revenues, which fluctuate may impact funding availability for this Project.

The City shall not exceed \$294,477 (fund limit) and will only be reimbursed for allowable costs. The appropriation will be used for or work performed on the Focused General Plan Update general tasks, Community engagement, Land Use Element, Mobility Element, Housing Element, Safety Element, PEIR, Climate Action Plan Update, and Spanish translation services (collectively known as "Elements"). The Resolution would approve the SGIP agreement with SANDAG and appropriate grant funds for work performed in fiscal year 2022 and will carry over funds to succeeding fiscal years until the funded scope is complete.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

The SGIP funds are to be appropriated to revenue account 501-45478-3463 in the amount of \$294,477. The SGIP allocation should be appropriated to expenditure account 501-419-478-213-0000 in the amount of \$294,477. There was a grant match of \$1,602,226.97 for which Housing Authority funds have already been appropriated.

**RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Housing and Community Development

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

This is not a project under CEQA and is therefore not subject to environmental review.CCR15378; PRC 21065.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

Agenda Report posted within 72 hours of meeting date and time in accordance with Brown Act.

**ORDINANCE:**

Not Applicable

**EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit A - Agreement

Exhibit B - Resolution