



AGENDA REPORT

Department: Engineering and Public Works Department
Prepared by: Luca Zappiello, Assistant Engineer Civil
Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2023
Approved by: Brad Raulston, City Manager

SUBJECT:

Acceptance and appropriation of federal funds received through the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, “ Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of funds and establishing corresponding expenditure accounts for the following projects: 1) \$294,700 for the 24th Street Trolley Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study; 2) \$3,332,781 for the 24th Street First and Last Mile Connections to Trolley Station for design and construction; and 3) \$300,000 for the Bayshore Bikeway Segment 5 project necessary for the additional work on the design.”

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:

Not Applicable.

EXPLANATION:

In November 2021, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), was passed into law. With the passage of IIJA, the Community Project Funding / Congressionally Directed Spending (CPFCDs) program was created to support specific community projects as part of the annual appropriations process, which was signed into law as the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022.

All CPFCDs projects are solicited and selected by the members of the U.S. Congress and U.S. Senate. The CPFCDs program is funded from the 2022 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) through the 2026 FFY. As a reminder, the FFY begins October 1st and ends on September 30th of the following year. The CPFCDs program is funded through the Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP).

In 2021, the City requested funding consideration for several Community Projects identified in the letter (see attachment) that are part of the Health and Opportunity through Partnerships for Equity (HOPE) Improvement projects. The proposed projects include bicycle and pedestrian safety enhancements, alternative mobility options, first/last mile improvements to transit hubs, and enhanced connections to Naval Base San Diego. The projects will promote clean mobility alternatives as a viable travel choice, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and promoting a healthier, more active lifestyle.

On March 9, 2022, Congressman Vargas voted to secure \$11.7 million for nine local community projects in the appropriations government-funding package for California’s 51st Congressional

District. Three of the nine local community projects selected by Congressman Vargas to receive funding are located in National City as follows:

1. 24th Street Trolley Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study. The \$294,700 requested, will fund a feasibility study that will evaluate the potential for constructing a pedestrian bridge over Interstate 5, in the vicinity of the 24th Street Transit Center.
2. 24th Street First and Last Mile Connections to Trolley Station. The \$3,332,781 requested in funding, will design and construct more than two miles of separated bike lanes (Class IV), 2 curb extensions, traffic signal modifications with bike signals, continental crosswalks, and curb ramps along 22nd Street between Wilson Ave. and D Ave., and along Hoover Ave. between W. 22nd St and W. 33rd St.
3. Bayshore Bikeway – Segment 5 project. The \$300,000 in funding will be allocated towards the final design phase of this segment. The project will provide nearly 1.5 miles of protected bicycle facilities along McKinley Avenue and Marina Way in the City of National City. Segment 5 will complete the last leg of the Bayshore Bikeway within National City and enhance bicycling connections to transit and other key destinations such as National City’s Harbor District, Naval Base San Diego, Kimball Elementary School, and several parks. Additionally, the project will provide a connection to the Sweetwater River Trail, another regional bikeway.

Staff recommends accepting funds and the corresponding expenditure budget for: 1) 24th Street Trolley Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study; 2) 24th Street First and Last Mile Connections to Trolley Station for design and construction; and 3) allocating funds for the Bayshore Bikeway Segment 5 project.

These funds require a match, which the City will allocate from the following previously authorized funds:

- 1) \$33,803 for the 24th Street Trolley Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study from the General Fund;
- 2) \$381,123.90 for the 24th Street First and Last Mile Connections to Trolley Station from the ATP Cycle 6 funds;
- 3) \$34,410 for the Bayshore Bikeway – Segment 5 from the ATP Cycle 4 funds.

The City will authorize the expenditure of the funds after Caltrans issues the authorization of funds to establish the reimbursement date for the phase of work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

24th Street Trolley Pedestrian Bridge Feasibility Study

Revenue Account No 296-06614-3498 - \$294,700

Expenditure Account No 296-409-500-598-6614 - \$294,700

Expenditure Account No 001-409-500-598-6573 - \$33,803 (General Fund match)

24th Street First and Last Mile Connections to Trolley Station

Revenue Account No 296-06615-3498 - \$3,332,781

Expenditure Account No 296-409-500-598-6615 - \$3,332,781

Bayshore Bikeway – Segment 5 project (Supplement funding)

Revenue Account No 296-06611-3463 - \$300,000

Expenditure Account No 296-409-500-598-6611 - \$300,000

RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Health, Environment, and Sustainability

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

This is a project under CEQA subject to a Categorical Exemption. Existing Facilities. CCR 15301(c).

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

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

ORDINANCE:

Not Applicable

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A – Memorandum

Exhibit B – Federal Allocation Table (excerpt)

Exhibit C – Letter of Support

Exhibit D - Resolution