

Town of Yountville



Staff Report

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Yountville Town Council Staff Report

DATE: April 6, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

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SUBJECT:

Adopt Resolution Number 21-4047 Requesting the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the allocation of fiscal year 2021/22-2023/24 Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDA-3) Pedestrian/Bicycle project funding in the amount of \$160,000 for the Washington Park Town Parks ADA Improvement Project.

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

The Town of Yountville conducted an Americans with Disabilities Act Self Evaluation and Transition Plan (SETP) in 2014/15 as required by law. This comprehensive audit (and the results) included the Town infrastructure and facilities, and all parking areas, sidewalks, pathways, and parks. The SETP was presented to Council and was approved in 2015. A fall and injury in the Washington Park neighborhood in 2012 put the Town on constructive notice for the ADA deficient access. The 2015 Council Approved SETP confirmed that the parking strips and walkways did not meet the ADA standards. In an effort to correct the deficiencies, a project to install ADA ramps was initiated but later terminated after discussion with the homeowners in the area communicated a preference for the original non-ADA compliant design. In an effort to provide ADA access, as required by law to Town parks and facilities an alternative option was offered to design and install ADA compliant access at Forrester Park, and Three Weirs Park, and a sidewalk improvement on the south side of Forrester at Vista to provide ADA access from the Vista neighborhood to the path system at the east end of Forrester. The majority of the communications from those in the neighborhood were supportive of this requirement.

The design for this project is at about 70%. Before the project proceeds, Town staff has committed to a stakeholder meeting to present the project to the neighborhood and others who may be interested in the project. The meeting will review the previous meeting outcomes and what the project will include and what the limits of the project will be. The majority of funding for this project will be via the TDA-3 grant program. Some funds have already been spent for survey and preliminary design.

The purpose of the TDA-3 program is to provide grants for local bicycle and pedestrian projects. The TDA-3 program is a grant program funded by approximately 2% of the ¼ cent Statewide Sales Tax. This generates approximately \$150,000 to \$200,000 per year in revenues for Napa jurisdictions. TDA funds may be used for both capital and maintenance purposes but during the last three-year cycle in 2018, the Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA) Board requested a change to the policy that would prioritize TDA-3 program funds solely for capital projects.

The TDA-3 program funds a wide range of projects including: • capital construction and design engineering of bicycle and pedestrian projects • re-striping on-street bicycle lanes • development or support of a bicycle safety education program (not more than 5% of County allocation) • development of a comprehensive bicycle and/or pedestrian facilities plan (once every 5 years). As of February 2021, the TDA-3 fund estimate was \$209,745 for FY 2021-22 (Attachment 2). Estimated funds for FY 2022-23 and 2023-24 are an additional \$300,000 bringing the total fund estimate for the three-year program to \$509,745 dollars.

Staff is recommending Council Adopt the Resolution Requesting the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the allocation of fiscal year 2021/22-2023/24 Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDA-3) Pedestrian/Bicycle project funding in the amount of \$160,000 for the Washington Park Town Parks ADA Improvement Project.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

CEQA Cat Ex Class 1, Existing Facilities

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it Currently Budgeted? No
Where is it Budgeted? N/A
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary
Is there a Staff Resource Impact? Nominal

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Is item Identified in Strategic Plan? Yes

If yes, Identify Strategic Goal and Objective. **Quality of Life:** The Town enhances the livability of Yountville by providing well-maintained public facilities, parks, and trails, and quality programs and events. **Responsible Fiscal Policy:** The Town maintains its fiscal health through policies designed to maximize economic opportunities, manage expenses, and ensure prudent reserves.

Briefly Explain Relationship to Strategic Plan Goal and Objective. Providing and updating facilities and infrastructure that allows equal access to all users is a State and Federal Requirement, but beyond that is the right thing to do. Accessing and using grant funds replaces General Fund use which would traditionally fund these types of projects.

RECOMMENDATION

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