

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 6555 -2023

CITY OF SEBASTOPOL

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEBASTOPOL AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CALTRANS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY OF SEBASTOPOL FOR THE SEBASTOPOL DOWNTOWN STREETS PLANNING AND REDESIGN AND APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol completed a comprehensive General Plan update with adoption of a new General Plan on November 15, 2016, which includes a Circulation Element to plan for transportation improvements; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, codified at Public Resources Code § 21000 *et seq.*) and the State CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR, § 15000 *et seq.*), on November 15, 2016, the City Council certified and adopted an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Sebastopol General Plan (the “Project”; State Clearinghouse No. 2016032001); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Sebastopol (City) is eligible to receive State funding for its Downtown Streets Planning and Redesign project through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Sustainable Transportation Grant program to assist with furthering study and planning of the improvements considered in the adopted General Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Caltrans has awarded a grant to the City in the amount of \$230,178 from their Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant program; and,

WHEREAS, a Restricted Grant Agreement needs to be executed with Caltrans before such funds can be claimed through the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City wishes to delegate authorization to execute these agreements and any amendments thereto, to the City Manager; and,

WHEREAS, the City will utilize these funds to assist the City in developing a comprehensive vision for the SR 116 and SR 12 corridors in the Sebastopol Downtown core by exploring alternative circulation options and making the area more welcoming to pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users; and,

WHEREAS, the budget for the Project is \$260,000.00 for planning, public participation, and transportation engineering work, of which the Caltrans grant funds \$230,178; and,

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to use \$29,822 in Traffic Impact Fees (TIF) as the match to this grant, some of which will be expended in the current fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed funding sources are summarized in the table below:

Table 1 Proposed Funding Sources and Budget Amounts for the Sebastopol Sustainable Transportation Grant work

Fund No.	Funding Source	Budget Amount
213	Traffic Impact Funds	\$29,822.00
--	Sustainable Transportation Grant (Caltrans Grant)	\$230,178.00

WHEREAS, this project is not in the current 2023-24 CIP budget and staff recommends commencing with planning efforts in January 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed public meeting to consider the item on October 17, 2023, and heard public comment; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Sebastopol City Council hereby adopts this Resolution Which finds, determines, resolves and orders as follows:

1. The recitals listed above are true and correct.
2. The Council authorizes the City Manager, or their designee, to execute the Restricted Grant Agreement, and any amendments therefore, with the California Department of Transportation.
3. This resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.
4. Approving a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$29,822.00 from the Traffic Impact Fund for the project.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly passed, approved, and adopted at a meeting by the City Council on the 17th day of October, 2023.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by City of Sebastopol City Council following a roll call vote:

VOTE:

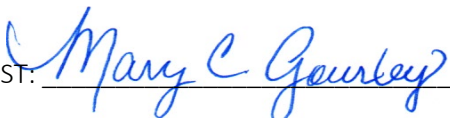
Ayes: Councilmembers McLewis, Maurer, Zollman, Vice Mayor Rich and Mayor Hinton

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

APPROVED: 
Mayor Neysa Hinton

ATTEST: 
Mary Gourley, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk, MMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
Larry McLaughlin, City Attorney