

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2024-138

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION'S PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA GRANT PROGRAM FOR MASTER PLANNING AND DESIGN OF THE SOUTHEAST GREENWAY PROJECT

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Association of Bay Area Governments Metropolitan Transportation Commission initiated the Priority Conservation Area Grant Program, funded through the One Bay Area (OBAG) program, to provide funding to cities, counties, park districts and other agencies and non-profits to acquire, enhance, or improve designated Priority Conservation Areas (PCA); and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa Recreation and Parks Department (Department) has identified the design and development of the Southeast Greenway Project (Project) as a priority, in alignment with Council Goal 5, *Build and Maintain Sustainable Infrastructure*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa is negotiating with Caltrans in good faith for the acquisition of 49 acres to provide the land base needed to develop the Project and the close of escrow is anticipated in early fall of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Department has confirmed the subject 49-acre land acquisition falls within one of 185 designated PCAs eligible for funding under this grant round; and

WHEREAS, the Department has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the provisions contained in the PCA Grant Program guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Project meets the criteria for the PCA Grant Program, and if awarded, will fund the Master Planning and design of the approximately 49-acre, soon to be public parkland to include a multi-use path running the entire length of the property, and a variety of passive and active recreational features and amenities throughout as determined by an extensive community engagement process; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for master planning and design of the Project is estimated to be \$2,400,000; and

WHEREAS, the Department has allocated \$1,470,000 from Park Impact Development Fees (Southeast Quadrant) for master planning and design of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the grant application is requesting \$1,000,000 in grant funding for the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa authorizes the submission of a grant application to the Association of Bay Area Governments Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Priority Conservation Area Grant Program for the Master Planning and design of the Southeast Greenway Project requesting an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the City Manager or designee to accept the grant, execute any and all agreements, and all other documents necessary for the completion of the Master Planning and design for the Project, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council, upon approval of the grant agreement, authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to increase appropriations in JL Key 09786, Southeast Greenway, equal to the approved grant amount.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 20th day of August, 2024.

AYES: (6) Mayor N. Rogers, Vice Mayor Stapp, Council Members Alvarez, Fleming, Okrepkie, C. Rogers

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Council Member MacDonald

ABSTAIN/RECUSE: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
Deputy City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney