

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: DAN HENNESSEY, DIRECTOR OF
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
SUBJECT: WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF K71
BOLLARDS FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF QUICK BUILD LOW-
STRESS BICYCLE FACILITIES

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, approve a Waiver of Competitive Bid between the City of Santa Rosa and eNdoto Corp of Newington, Connecticut for the purchase of K71 bollards with grant funds for the deployment of quick build low-stress bicycle facilities in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Enhancing the safety and comfort of the City's bike lanes is critical to meet various City Council goals, including but not limited to: Vision Zero, reduction in vehicle miles traveled and greenhouse gas emissions, and equity. The City of Santa Rosa Department of Transportation and Public Works is pursuing national and state best practices for Vision Zero and climate protection, which call for the installation of low-stress bicycle facilities. Low-stress bicycle facilities include Class I shared use paths and Class IV protected bike lanes. Class IV protected bike lanes are on-road bicycle facilities that include a painted buffer and a vertical delineator. The most common vertical delineators are bollard flex-posts. In the City of Santa Rosa, the most common type of vertical delineators used on Class IV facilities are called K71 delineators.

The City of Santa Rosa has been awarded \$200,000 in funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to purchase K71 Delineators to deploy quick build low-stress bicycle facilities on four roadway segments. This funding will be used to purchase 1,350 K71 Delineators, which will result in approximately 5.61 miles of Class IV bicycle facilities in FY 2025/2026.

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BACKGROUND

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) completed their first Active Transportation Plan in January 2023, which updated MTC's Complete Streets (CS) Policy (Resolution 4493) as well as identified an Active Transportation (AT) Network and prioritized a 5-year Implementation Plan (IP).

The AT Network is a 3,244-mile network created using regionally significant segments of locally adopted plans/networks with equity, mode shift, and safety as the core elements. Together, the CS Policy and AT Network is intended to help Bay Area jurisdictions reach mode shift, equity, and safety goals.

During the AT Plan process, MTC heard of the need for various forms of AT Technical Assistance (TA), including project design assistance, help completing state Active Transportation Program (ATP) and other AT grant applications, as well as educational capacity-building assistance (e.g., working together with emergency response staff to deliver Complete Streets projects). MTC also recognized the need for jurisdictions receiving funds to procure materials to implement quick-build projects.

Therefore, MTC launched an AT TA Program with a goal of spurring implementation of MTC's CS Policy and AT Network, while also securing additional statewide and other AT funding for the region. TA funds of \$960,000 were awarded to various Bay Area jurisdictions and approved by the Joint MTC Planning Committee and the Association of Bay Area Governments Administrative Committee on December 8, 2023. Of these funds, the City of Santa Rosa and the City of San Jose were each awarded \$200,000 in funds to procure K71 bollards for the deployment of quick build low-stress bicycle facilities.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On September 24, 2024, City Council, by Resolution No. RES-2024-152, approved a Supplemental Funding Agreement with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the procurement of K71 bollards in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

ANALYSIS

The City has purchased K71 bollards from eNdoto Corp in the past as they are the only known manufacturer of K71 bollards that fit the city's specifications. The City's specifications are that the K71 bollards be bright green with white high intensity reflective film at the head to increase visibility. Purchasing the K71 from eNdoto will help ensure that the City is using the same bollards for all Class IV bike lanes, creating consistency in messaging for vehicles and bicyclists. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission has authorized the submittal of a Waiver of Competitive Bid with use of grant funds in the amount of \$200,000. Therefore, City staff is requesting that Council adopts the Resolution to approve a Waiver of Competitive Bid between the City of

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Santa Rosa and eNdoto Corp for the purchase of 1,350 K71 bollards shown in the estimate in Exhibit B. Approval of the Waiver of Competitive Bid will authorize the purchasing agent to issue the purchase order for the purchase of the K71 bollards with eNdoto Corp.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this action does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund as the funds are from a grant awarded to the City by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378, the proposed action is not a “project” subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it does not have a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. In the alternative, the proposed action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment. Allocating funding for this project does not require environmental clearance. Additionally, pedestrian and bicycle enhancement projects of this scale would be exempt as installation of bollards will occur on existing City streets.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution
 - Exhibit A – Resolution No. RES-2024-152
 - Exhibit B – Estimate No. EST-003603 from eNdoto Corp

PRESENTER

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