RESOLUTION NO. 28181

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE SONOMA MARIN AREA RAIL TRANSIT DISTRICT TO COMPLETE AN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND DESIGN ALTERNATIVES FOR A GRADE SEPARATED BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT JENNINGS AVENUE

WHEREAS, a crossing at Jennings Avenue is shown in the City Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan and the North Santa Rosa Station Area Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District (District) began track reconstruction in June 2012 along the rail corridor, including the area between Guerneville Road in Santa Rosa to San Rafael; and

WHEREAS, District's contractor is expected to begin work on the track reconstruction in the vicinity of Jennings Avenue in October 2012; and

WHEREAS, District and its contractor believe that a grade separated bicycle and pedestrian crossing could be constructed at the Jennings Avenue location; and

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing construction of the tracks, a timely determination of the feasibility of this option is needed; and

WHEREAS, this location has been used extensively as a bicycle and pedestrian crossing although it is not recognized by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) as a legal at grade crossing; and

WHEREAS, the cost estimate to complete the environmental review and design of a grade separated bicycle and pedestrian crossing at Jennings Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa authorizes a Funding Agreement with the Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District for the completion of environmental review and design alternatives of a grade separated bicycle and pedestrian crossing at Jennings Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, pending approval of the SMART District Board and subject to review and approval of the City Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to execute the Agreement.

AYES: (7) Mayor Olivares, Vice Mayor Sawyer, Council Member Bartley, Gorin, Ours,

Vas Dupre, Wysocky

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)