

**City of Culver City, California
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Meeting Date: <u>10/13/14</u>		Item Number: <u>C-7</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of a Resolution Approving an Application for Grant Funds through the Sustainable Communities Transportation Grant under the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (E-mail) Agenda and Meetings – City Council (10/08/2014)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (10/02/14)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (10/07/14)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (10/08/14)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (10/08/14)	
 <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution approving an application for grant funds through the Sustainable Communities Transportation Planning Grant under the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The City Council adopted a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) in 2010. As the City's first Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, the document has been of significant importance in addressing bicycle and pedestrian issues. Since its adoption, the expectation for the plan was to update regularly as conditions change and the City continues to meet its bicycle and pedestrian goals. The anticipated update includes the continued civic participation from neighborhoods, advocacy organizations, the business community, and residents. Furthermore, in order to maintain compliance with the funding requirements of Caltrans' Bicycle Transit Account (BTA) and maintain eligibility for a number of grant opportunities available to the City, it is necessary for an update of the plan to occur every five (5) years. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> Through an available grant opportunity from Caltrans, the Public Works Department is preparing an application for a project to update the BPMP. The			

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proposed project includes use of a consultant to conduct community meetings and safety assessments and draft the overall update for the document. In addition to an update of the plan, the proposed project will include the review of identified areas for possible future projects as well as the drafting of a “Complete Streets” and “Green Streets” policy. Both policies will focus on guidelines that promote sustainable practices and safe solutions for addressing traffic, pedestrian, and cyclist use of roads.

One of the specific project areas that has been identified for inclusion in the BPMP update is the connection between the Expo Station and Downtown Culver City along Washington Boulevard. This connection will be reviewed for ways to increase pedestrian and bicycle access, and will be coordinated with current streetscape planning for the Transit Oriented Development District in the Washington National area. A plan will be drafted for development when future funding becomes available. In addition the plan will explore bike sharing opportunities in Culver City.

The update of the BPMP will also include specific attention to accessibility for the disabled on sidewalks and crossings throughout the City.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The amount being requested from the grant for Culver City is \$500,000 to cover the cost of the consultant for input meetings, assessments, and development of the updated plan. The matching requirement for the grant funds is 11.47% as a monetary contribution (hard match) or through in-kind support. The Public Works Department will contribute the 11.47% through in-kind support throughout the project.

Estimated Overall Project Costs:

<i>Culver City Project Costs</i>	\$564,780
Consultant for BPMP Update	\$250,000
Supplemental ADA Inclusion Component	\$250,000
City Staff Support (11.47% In-Kind)	\$ 64,780
Total Grant Amount Requested	\$500,000
Culver City Monetary Contribution	\$0

ATTACHMENT:

1. Proposed Resolution

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MOTIONS:

That the City Council

Adopt a Resolution approving the application for grant funds through the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant under Caltrans for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Update.