



August 1, 2025

Rene Mendez
City Manager
City of Salinas
200 Lincoln Avenue
Salinas, CA 93901

Subject: Funding Contribution for Transit Study

Dear Mr. Mendez:

Pursuant to our ongoing commitment to improving transit service in the City of Salinas, Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) applied for, and was awarded a Caltrans Planning Grant to study the feasibility of bus rapid transit in the East Alisal corridor, as well as the relocation of the Salinas Transit Center. The City committed to supporting this partnership by contributing \$28,000 toward the study.

The project kicked off earlier this year. Adriana Robles of your staff is a participant on the project's technical advisory committee. Additionally, Grant Leonard and his staff participated in an exploratory meeting related to land use. The project team will be moving into the first phase of public engagement in the coming weeks. Steady progress is being made.

MST would like to request your \$28,000 contribution to help pay the consultant fees for the project. Kimley-Horn has submitted two invoices to date (attached) and will continue billing monthly until the study is completed.

MST appreciates our partnership with the City on this important project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at lrheinheimer@mst.org or 831-264-5874.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Rheinheimer".

Lisa Rheinheimer
Deputy CEO

Attachments

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