

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (N.C.S.)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY
MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MONTEREY-SALINAS
TRANSIT TO PARTNER ON A FEDERAL TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT
PLANNING GRANT**

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2019 the Federal Transit Administration, under the Department of Transportation, released a Notice of Funding Opportunity for its FY 2019 competitive Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development Planning (the “Program”); and

WHEREAS, approximately \$19.19 million dollars is available to fund comprehensive planning that supports economic development, ridership, multimodal connectivity and accessibility, increased transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, and mixed-use development near transit stations; and

WHEREAS, given that the coordination and intersection of transportation and land use planning is critical for successful transit-oriented development, the Program requires that MST partner with the City as the local land use authority; and

WHEREAS, the timing of this Program opportunity aligns with City land use planning efforts to conduct technical studies and initial environment analysis to pursue zoning changes to produce more housing and mixed-use development in the downtown and along the East Alisal Street; and

WHEREAS, Program applications, due November 18, 2019, must include documentation of any partnerships and local match funding commitments; and

WHEREAS, MST and the City desire to enter into an Agreement that describes the Project scope of work, outlines MST and City roles and responsibilities, and identifies the source and amount of MST and City local match contributions; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines section 15378). If the proposed scope or actions progress to a “project” level further CEQA analysis will be required to address potential environmental impacts of the proposed project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into an Agreement with Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) to apply to the Federal Transit Administration’s (FTA) Pilot Program for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning, and if awarded to partner with MST to undertake the Project scope of work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council and approves the leveraging of its City’s California SB 2 grant funds as the City’s local match.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of November 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Joe Gunter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk