

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE SALINAS CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING A LOCAL MATCH OF \$20,000 TO MONTEREY-SALINAS TRANSIT IF AWARDED A FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION GRANT FOR STUDYING BUS RAPID TRANSIT ON EAST ALISAL STREET AND POTENTIAL RELOCATION OF THE SALINAS TRANSIT CENTER

WHEREAS, Monterey Salinas Transit (MST) submitted an application to the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program on August 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City provided a letter of support for the application; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project includes undertaking technical studies and feasibility analysis to evaluate establishing a bus rapid transit system (BRT) along the East Alisal Street Corridor and the relocation of the Salinas Transit Center (STC) along the BRT route; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with and supports the implementation of the Downtown Vibrancy Plan, East Alisal Street Corridor Plan and the Alisal Vibrancy Plan; and

WHEREAS, MST requests that the City of Salinas commit to contribute one third (\$20,000) of the required local match of \$60,000, if awarded; and

WHEREAS, MST will be responsible for providing the remaining \$40,000 of the local match, which could include obtaining contributions from other partners; 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 approves the City's commitment to fund a portion of the required local match contribution in the amount of \$20,000, if awarded. The funding source of the City's portion of the local match is CIP 9136 (EDE Implementation).

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of September 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Kimbley Craig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk