

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-56

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARINA
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT ON BEHALF OF
THE CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING SB1 STATE ROUTE 156
GRANT SUBMISSION BY TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY
COUNTY(TAMC)

WHEREAS, With the passage of California Senate Bill 1 (Beall), several new transportation funding programs were created which help TAMC leverage Measure X funds to help fund transportation projects in Monterey County. The Senate Bill 1 grant programs that TAMC Agency staff are pursuing include the following: Local Partnership Program, Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and the Trade Corridor Enhancements Program. Through these three grant programs, TAMC is seeking a total of \$20 million to bridge the funding gap for the construction of the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange project. TAMC is pursuing all three programs to give the California Transportation Commission the most flexibility in supporting this critical safety project; and

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Local Partnership Program is to provide funding to jurisdictions where voters have approved fees or taxes solely dedicated to transportation improvements. The program aims to help local and regional agencies address aging infrastructure, improve road conditions, support active transportation, transit and rail, and provide health and safety benefits. Forty percent (40%) of Local Partnership Program funds are distributed through this competitive basis. Grant applications are due for this program by June 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2020 the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Board of Director's approved submitting SB1 Grant Applications to the following programs to fund construction of the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project: Local Partnership Program; Solutions for Congested Corridor Program; and Trade Corridor Enhancements Program; and

WHEREAS, TAMC is requesting local agencies to submit a letter of support for SB1-State Route 156 to be included in the grant application package.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Marina does hereby:

1. Authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support on behalf of the city council supporting SB1 State Route 156 grant submission by Transportation Agency for Monterey County.
(Exhibit A)

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Marina at a special meeting duly held on this 2nd day of June 2020 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Berkley, Urrutia, O'Connell, Morton, Delgado

NOES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ATTEST:

Bruce C. Delgado, Mayor

Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk



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June 3, 2020

Mitch Weiss
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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P.O. Box 942873
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: SUPPORT for the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project for Senate Bill 1 Funding

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On behalf of the City of Marina, I write to express our support for Caltrans and the Transportation Agency for Monterey County pursuing Senate Bill 1 funding for the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project.

State Route 156 is the primary access route for visitors to reach world-class destinations on the Monterey Peninsula. Route 156 provides access to jobs in the hospitality economy and helps the area maintain economic competitiveness as a key visitor draw.

The State Route 156 project will provide a range of safety, economic, and quality of life benefits for the region by:

- Relieving traffic congestion for 39,000 vehicles every weekday (and even more on event weekends);
- Diverting truck traffic away from Merritt Street (State Route 183) in the rural community of Castroville; and
- Improving bicycle and pedestrian access and supporting active transportation to the nearby high school.

We strongly support the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bruce Delgado
Mayor

cc: Debra L. Hale, Transportation Agency for Monterey County

May 27, 2020

Item No: **8f(2)**

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Marina City Council

City Council Meeting
of June 2, 2020

**CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-,
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT ON BEHALF
OF THE CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING SB1 STATE ROUTE 156
GRANT SUBMISSION BY TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY
COUNTY(TAMC)**

REQUEST:

It is requested that the City Council consider:

1. Adopting Resolution No. 2020-, authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support on behalf of the City Council supporting SB1 State Route 156 Grant Submission by Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC).

BACKGROUND:

With the passage of California Senate Bill 1 (Beall), several new transportation funding programs were created which help TAMC leverage Measure X funds to help fund transportation projects in Monterey County. The Senate Bill 1 grant programs that TAMC Agency staff are pursuing include the following: Local Partnership Program, Solutions for Congested Corridors Program and the Trade Corridor Enhancements Program. Through these three grant programs, TAMC is seeking a total of \$20 million to bridge the funding gap for the construction of the State Route 156 Castroville Boulevard Interchange project. TAMC is pursuing all three programs to give the California Transportation Commission the most flexibility in supporting this critical safety project.

The primary objective of the Local Partnership Program is to provide funding to jurisdictions where voters have approved fees or taxes solely dedicated to transportation improvements. The program aims to help local and regional agencies address aging infrastructure, improve road conditions, support active transportation, transit and rail, and provide health and safety benefits. Forty percent (40%) of Local Partnership Program funds are distributed through this competitive basis. Grant applications are due for this program by June 22, 2020.

ANALYSIS

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TAMC is requesting local agencies to submit a letter of support for SB1-State Route 156 to be included in the grant application package ("**EXHIBIT A**").

CONCLUSION:

This request is submitted for City Council consideration and possible action.

Respectfully submitted,

Layne Long
City Manager
City of Marina