

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-69**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARINA  
AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE  
REGIONAL EARLY ACTION 2.0 PLANNING GRANT.**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 101 in September 2019, which established the Local Government Planning Support Grants Program which allocates \$125 million in housing planning funds to regional entities throughout the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has been assigned as the state agency overseeing this program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) will serve as the local fiscal agent for the grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marina is eligible to submit a request for allocation for a portion of REAP 2.0 housing planning funds from AMBAG; and

**WHEREAS**, AMBAG shall approve allocation requests subject to the terms and conditions of eligibility, guidelines, Notices of Funding Availability, and program requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARINA:**

1. Authorizes the City Manager of the City of Marina or their designee to enter into agreements for REAP 2.0 grants, and
2. Authorizes the City Manager or their designee to take further actions as may be necessary to give effect to this resolution, such as executing amendments and approving funding applications.
3. This authorization shall end on March 31, 2027.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Marina at a regular meeting duly held on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Visscher, McCarthy, Biala, Medina Dirksen

NOES, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT, COUNCIL MEMBERS: Delgado

ABSTAIN, COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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Cristina Medina Dirksen, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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Anita Sharp, Deputy City Clerk

July 6, 2023

Item No. **10f(1)**

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Marina City Council

City Council Meeting of  
July 5, 2023

**CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2023-,  
AUTHORIZING AND ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE REGIONAL  
EARLY ACTION PLANNING GRANT (REAP 2.0).**

**REQUEST:** It is recommended that the City Council consider:

Adopting Resolution No. 2023-, authorizing staff to submit an application to AMBAG for the Regional Early Action Program Planning 2.0 (REAP 2.0) Grant Program to contribute funding toward projects designed to increase affordable housing in the City.

**BACKGROUND:**

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in collaboration with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, the Strategic Growth Council, and the California Air Resources Board established the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 program.

The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) will serve as the local fiscal agent will then administrator the regional grant program for the three-county area of the AMBAG region, comprised of Santa Cruz County, Monterey County and San Benito County. The purpose of REAP 2.0 is supporting transformative planning and implementation activities such as accelerating infill and affordable housing development; reducing vehicle miles traveled through programs such as increasing transit ridership, walking, and biking as primary modes of transportation; and affirmatively furthering fair housing.

**Accelerating Infill Development that Facilitates Housing Supply, Choice, and Affordability**

Accelerating infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice, and affordability and AFFH through various planning programs, services, or capital expenditures in a way that reduces VMT and greenhouse gas emissions and goes beyond existing commitments.

**Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH)**

Combats discrimination, overcome patterns of segregation, and foster equitable and inclusive communities.

Includes meaningful actions to address disparities in housing needs and in access to opportunity, replace segregated living patterns with balanced living patterns, and transform racially and ethnically concentrated areas of poverty into areas of opportunity; target funding to benefit disadvantaged and historically underserved communities.

**Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)**

Support new infill housing development and shift travel away from driving by implementing or supporting pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and other alternative transportation programs.

**ANALYSIS:**

*Formula Allocation*-The grant application is broken up into two components: a noncompetitive grant application and a competitive application. The portion the City of Marina will receive

approximately \$85,000 in noncompetitive funds if a project is identified which meets the program requirements and thresholding criteria.

*Competitive Application*-The competitive grant can be up to six million, but it is unlikely Marina would get all this funding which has to be spread out over several agencies and counties. The focus of the competitive funding will be an additional \$900,000 to fund the creation of a Cypress Knolls Master Plan. To be eligible for receipt of the funds the City Council has to adopt a resolution directing city staff to apply and receive said funding.

**CEQA IMPACT:**

A grant application is not considered a project under CEQA and is therefore exempt from CEQA review. Future modifications to policy documents would have separate CEQA analyses.

**CONCLUSION:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the project resolution and direct the City Manager or his designee to apply for REAP 2.0 funds and to accept said funds from AMBAG.

**REVIEWED/CONCUR:**

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Guido F. Persicone, AICP  
Community Development Director  
City of Marina

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Layne P. Long  
City Manager  
City of Marina

