



## EXECUTIVE DECISION DOCUMENT

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### Adopt a Resolution accepting a \$400,000 allocation of Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant funding from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the creation of an Ashby Station Access Plan

#### PURPOSE:

Adopt a Resolution accepting a \$400,000 allocation of Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant funding from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the creation of an Ashby Station Access Plan.

#### DISCUSSION:

In September 2022, MTC adopted the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy to support the Bay Area's transit investments by creating communities around transit stations and along transit corridors. To support compliance with the TOC Policy, MTC released the 2024 Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant (Grant Program) funding opportunity focused on two primary outcomes:

1. Development of a new or updated comprehensive plans.
2. Adoption of specific policies, zoning updates, or implementation documents.

BART partnered with the City of Berkeley to submit a grant application for the development of the Ashby BART Station Access Plan, which will help inform potential development of Transit Oriented Development (TOD) at the Station. The application was successful and has been recommended for an allocation of \$400,000.



To assist local jurisdictions with TOC policy compliance related to station access and circulation requirements, MTC will manage the procurement and administration of consultant contracts in connection with the Grant Program.

The scope of work to be funded by the MTC grant allocation will include the following elements:

- Develop urban design and programming options for the new plaza that would result from the proposed "road diet" for Adeline Street from four lanes to two lanes and a new plaza along the western side of Adeline Street that is intended for future programming by the City of Berkeley.
- Evaluate current and future access needs for the Station, including the impact of proposed TOD on those needs, and propose solutions to ensure safe and efficient access to the Ashby BART Station. Since the TOD will reduce BART rider parking from 535 to no more than 85 spaces, the study will prioritize identifying viable transportation options for customers who historically relied on Station parking. Once the selected Developer has submitted a conceptual development plan for the Ashby West Lot to BART, a second phase of the Station Access Plan will evaluate whether the proposed development plan can accommodate access needs, with consideration to the overall financial feasibility of the TOD project, potential grant and other subsidy sources, and accommodation of space for long term improvements that may not be made as part of the TOD.
- Additional engagement that focuses on the local community.

Moving forward, BART and the City of Berkeley will work collaboratively with the MTC-procured consultant to create the Ashby BART Station Access Plan.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact to BART.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Motion.

**MOTION:**

Adopt the Resolution "Accepting a \$400,000 allocation of Transit Oriented Communities Planning and Implementation Grant funding from the Metropolitan Transportation

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Commission (MTC) for the creation of an Ashby Station Access Plan."