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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4049

This resolution authorizes staff to apply for a \$1 million grant in partnership with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to the Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program under the State's Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84).

Discussion of this resolution is contained in the Executive Director's Memorandum to the Commission dated January 25, 2012.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq., the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (“MTC”) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, SB 375, Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008, amended Sections 65080, 65400, 65583, 65584.01, 65584.02, 65584.04, 65587, and 65588 of, and added Sections 14522.1, 14522.2, and 65080.01 to, the Government Code, and amended Section 21061.3 of, to add Section 21159.28 to, and to add Chapter 4.2 (commencing with Section 21155) to Division 13 of, the Public Resources Code, relating to environmental quality

WHEREAS, SB 375 requires MTC and Association of Bay Area Governments (“ABAG”) to adopt a Sustainable Communities Strategy, which integrates MTC’s Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Projections and Regional Housing Needs Allocation process; and

WHEREAS, SB 375 specifies how MTC and the ABAG are to collaborate in the preparation of the SCS; and

WHEREAS, MTC is committed to coordinating its planning activities as required by SB375 with the other large Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the State, including the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program under the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84); and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Growth Council has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures require all award recipients commit to threshold requirements;-

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the Applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the development of the proposal;; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the Plan Bay Area Implementation Grant in order to become a more sustainable community; and
2. Certifies that applicant will have sufficient funds to develop the Proposal or will secure the resources to do so; and
3. Certifies that the Proposal will comply with any applicable laws and regulations including being consistent with the State's Planning Priorities identified in Government Code section 65041.1 and summarized below:
 - a. Promote infill development and invest in existing communities
 - b. Protect, preserve and enhance agricultural land and natural resources; and
 - c. Encourage location and resource efficient new development; and
4. Certifies that threshold requirements outlined in the guidelines, including consideration of Ocean Protection Council Sea Level Rise Guidance will be met; and
5. Agrees to reduce, on as permanent a basis as feasible, greenhouse gas emissions consistent with California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section 3850) of the Health and Safety Code); any applicable regional plan; and

6. Agrees to meet the Collaboration Requirements of the focus area applicable to the Proposal; and includes all required documents in the application package; and

Appoints the ABAG Executive Director (designate position, not person occupying position), or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

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Adrienne Tissier, Chair

The above resolution was approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on January 25, 2012.