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***Memorandum***

TO: Commission

DATE: February 19, 2014

FR: Deputy Executive Director, Operations

W.I: 1611

RE: MTC/ABAG Strategic Growth Council 2014 Grant Application (Resolution No. 4136)

**Background**

To advance implementation of Plan Bay Area, MTC and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) are submitting a grant application in response to the State of California's Strategic Growth Council's (SGC) 2013 request for proposals. This is the third round of SGC funding available through their Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program. A total of \$2 million in grants were awarded jointly to MTC and ABAG in each of the first two rounds of funding.

The grant application is due February 28, 2014 and requires a resolution of support by both agencies' boards. Per the FY2013-14 annual MTC/ABAG funding agreement, ABAG will submit the application on behalf of both agencies. The grant application is for \$1 million and focuses on key Plan Bay Area implementation activities, including the facilitation of local implementation of Priority Development Areas and complete communities, and monitoring the region's progress toward meeting Plan Bay Area objectives, including land use development indicators.

**Recommended Action**

Staff requests Commission approval of Resolution No. 4136 to approve the filing of the joint MTC and ABAG grant application in the amount of \$1 million to the SGC's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program.

  
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Ann Flemer

Date: February 26, 2014  
Referred by: Commission

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4136

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 February 26, 2014.

Date: February 26, 2014  
Referred by: Commission

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 4136

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; and

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

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG adopted the region’s SCS, known as Plan Bay Area, at a joint meeting on July 18, 2013; and

WHEREAS, MTC is committed to coordinating with ABAG in the implementation of Plan Bay Area; 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 established by the Strategic Growth Council require a resolution certifying the approval of application by the Applicant’s governing board before

submission of said application to the State of California to implement key provisions of Bay Area's Sustainable Communities Strategy (the "Proposal"); and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that MTC:

1. Approves the filing of an application with ABAG for the Proposal in order to become a sustainable community; and
2. Certifies that MTC understands the assurances and certifications in the application, and
3. Certifies that MTC will have sufficient funds to develop the Proposal or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that the Proposal will comply with any applicable laws and regulations; and
5. Appoints the ABAG Executive Director, 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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Amy Rein-Worth, Chair

The above resolution was approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on February 26, 2014.