



DATE: September 23, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate \$500,000 in Comprehensive Investment Plan funds from the Alameda County Transportation Commission for the D Street Traffic Calming Project, Project 05225 and to Execute a Funding Agreement

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$500,000 from the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) to execute a funding agreement for design and construction of the D Street Traffic Calming Project, Project 05225.

SUMMARY

In Summer 2024, Alameda CTC issued a call for projects under its 2026 Comprehensive Investment Plan that offers approximately \$100 million in discretionary local transportation funding from various federal, state, regional, and countywide funding sources. This funding supports capital projects and programs that enhance Alameda County's multimodal transportation system. In October 2024, staff applied for the 2026-2030 funding cycle for the D Street Traffic Calming Project to improve safety along D Street from 2nd Street to the city limits. In May 2025, the City was awarded the requested amount of \$500,000 for the design and construction of the project.

This project addresses longstanding community concerns around speeding, pedestrian safety, and livability near Faith Ringgold Elementary School. Staff is requesting Council authorization to appropriate the awarded funds to support the design and construction of safety improvements along D Street. These improvements will enhance mobility for cyclists and pedestrians, close network gaps, and improve safety along the City's High Injury Network.

Staff has determined that this project is categorically exempt from environmental review under Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines for operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing facilities.

BACKGROUND

Alameda CTC's Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) is a strategic framework that allocates federal, state, regional, and local funds to transportation projects across Alameda County. Updated every two years, the CIP consolidates various funding sources, including the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA), and Alameda County sales tax measures like Measures B and BB. The CIP prioritizes projects that enhance safety, mobility, and accessibility, including bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. It also supports local agencies through direct local distribution of funds and competitive grants, ensuring a coordinated approach to meeting the County's transportation needs.

Projects anticipated for implementation during fiscal years 2025-26 through 2029-30 were eligible for funding in this round of Alameda CTC CIP funding. Funding was prioritized for eligible projects that demonstrated construction readiness. Priority was also given to projects that enhance connectivity and close gaps in Alameda CTC's Countywide Bicycle Network, improve safety along the High Injury Network, and provide direct benefits to Metropolitan Transportation Commission-designated Equity Priority Communities (EPC) and other underserved communities.

The D Street Traffic Calming Project was established in response to concerns expressed by the community regarding excessive vehicle speeds and pedestrian safety on D Street between 2nd Street and the eastern City limits. D Street is a parallel route to the Countywide Bicycle Network and connects to Alameda CTC's Bicycle and Pedestrian Countywide High Injury Network. A portion of the D Street Traffic Calming Project is classified as a Tier 2 Priority Roadway in the City's Local Road Safety Plan and High Injury Network. Additionally, the project segment borders two of the MTC-designated EPCs.

DISCUSSION

Staff presented the D Street Traffic Calming Project to the Council Infrastructure and Airport Committee (CIAC) on August 28, 2024, and received strong support for the project from residents and CIAC. In May 2025, staff conducted an open house-style outreach event at Faith Ringgold Elementary School. Attendees expressed concerns about speeding, pedestrian safety, and overall neighborhood livability along D Street.

The proposed project incorporates community feedback and aligns with prior safety recommendations, including those from the Alameda County Safe Routes to School program. The planned improvements include:

- Speed management strategies: Narrowing wide travel lanes to reduce vehicle speeds.
- Pedestrian safety enhancements: Installing high-visibility crosswalks and curb extensions, particularly near Faith Ringgold Elementary School.

- Bicycle safety enhancements: Adding a dedicated eastbound, uphill bike lane where speed differentials between vehicles and bicycles are greatest.
- General safety measures: Installing a raised median at Beaver Court, restriping the corridor and refreshing pavement markings.

The improvements will enhance connectivity, close network gaps for bicyclists and pedestrians, and address safety concerns on the High Injury Network, particularly for students. The project aligns with the City's Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan and Vision Zero goal.

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Additional projects along the corridor that will add to the effectiveness and importance of this project include the Safe Routes to School improvements to Faith Ringgold Elementary School as part of the California Air Resource Board's Clean Mobility in Schools Grant Program for Safe Routes and Active Transportation for Schools and Underserved Communities (Project 06941), rectangular rapid flashing beacon and crossing improvements from the Local Highway Safety Improvement Program, and Hayward Area Recreation and Park District's (HARD) future park at D Street and Clay Street along the future Foothill Trail.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

This item has no direct economic impact.

FISCAL IMPACT

This agenda item will not impact the General Fund. Council initially approved the appropriation of \$120,000 for the project, which, based on a revised cost estimate, was increased to \$320,000 in the adopted Fiscal Year 2022-23 CIP. Funding for this project is drawn from Fund 212, Measure BB (Local Transportation) revenues.

The Alameda CTC CIP \$500,000 awarded to the City is sourced from Measures B and BB, Vehicle Registration Fee, and Transportation Fund for Clean Air. Grant funding paired with existing project funds will fully cover both design and construction

STRATEGIC ROADMAP

This agenda item supports the Strategic Priority of Invest in Infrastructure: Invest in Infrastructure. Specifically, this item relates to the implementation of the following project:

Project N1: Continue to implement major corridor traffic calming initiatives

SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES

This project, when constructed, will include safety improvements for pedestrian and bicycle modes of travel, which may facilitate increased use of these modes of transportation.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Approximately 700 resident notification letters were mailed out for this project notifying residents about the Council Infrastructure & Airport Committee meeting that took place on August 28, 2024.

An additional 700 resident mailers were sent out for the outreach event at Faith Ringgold Elementary School in May 2025. At the event, residents participated in engagement activities and provided feedback on challenges they experience and the proposed design concept.

No public contact has been made specifically for this agenda item. However, the D Street Traffic Calming Project was identified as a priority because of repeated requests from residents to address excessive vehicle speeds and pedestrian safety along D Street. Staff will continue to engage with residents and the Faith Ringgold Elementary School community during the design and construction of the project.

NEXT STEPS

If Council approves this request, the City Manager will enter into a funding agreement with Alameda CTC for a total amount of \$500,000 ACTC CIP funds. Once the funding agreement is executed, staff will release a request for proposals to procure consultant services for design.

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