

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ESTABLISHING THE NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT “COASTAL CACTUS WREN HABITAT RESTORATION 2016” (OP229), AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 CIP PROGRAM BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATING \$49,972 IN SANDAG GRANT FUNDS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, in November 2004, the voters of San Diego County approved SANDAG Ordinance 04-01, which extended the *TransNet* half-cent sales and use tax through 2048 (*TransNet* Extension Ordinance); and

WHEREAS, the *TransNet* Extension Ordinance contains provisions for the creation of an Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP); and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2016, SANDAG issued its eighth cycle Call for Projects from entities wishing to apply for a portion of the EMP Regional Habitat Conservation grant funds for use on environmental land management projects meeting certain criteria; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2016, Council approved Resolution 2016-201 acknowledging grant requirements of SANDAG to implement an eighteen-month coastal cactus wren habitat restoration program within the Chula Vista Otay Ranch Preserve Management Area, authorizing acceptance of grant funding should it be awarded, and authorizing the City Manager to execute a grant agreement with SANDAG; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2016, the SANDAG Board of Directors awarded EMP Regional Habitat Conservation grant funds in the amount of \$49,972 to the City’s proposed coastal cactus wren project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chula Vista understands that the EMP Regional Habitat Conservation grant funding is fixed at the programmed amount, and therefore project cost increases that exceed the grant awarded will be the sole responsibility of the grantee; and

WHEREAS, the awarded amount of \$49,972 will fund the proposed coastal cactus wren monitoring and enhancement program which is essential for the prolongation of the coastal cactus wren and will reduce the vulnerability of this species to extirpation; and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant, the City will provide \$1,300 of matching funds through in-kind City services as set forth in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the matching funds are already included in the current 2016-17 fiscal year budget and will result in no additional fiscal impact; and

WHEREAS, the EMP Working Group, the SANDAG Transportation Committee, Regional Planning Committee, Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee, and the Board of Directors has approved the grant funds land management program to restore and enhance

degraded coastal cactus wren habitat within the City's Otay Ranch Preserve Management Area (Otay Ranch Preserve) and the implementation of an eighteen-month management program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista that it hereby establishes the new capital improvement project "Coastal Cactus Wren Habitat Restoration 2016" (OP229), amends the fiscal year 2016-17 capital improvement program budget, and appropriates \$49,972 in SANDAG grant funds to the CIP Project Expense category.

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