

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

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
CHULA VISTA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN  
APPLICATION FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES  
GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE CHULA VISTA  
NEIGHBORHOOD ELECTRIC VEHICLE TRANSPORTATION  
PLAN

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2019, Caltrans released the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Grant Application Guide and call-for-applications for the traditional State and federal funding, as well as grant funding from Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017; and

WHEREAS, \$29.5 million is available for Sustainable Communities Grants to encourage local and regional planning that furthers state goals, including, but not limited to, the goals and best practices cited in the Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS, successful projects will also contribute to the State's Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction targets, employ the goals and best practices cited in the 2017 Regional Transportation Plan Guidelines, and address the needs of disadvantaged communities; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of this resolution Chula Vista will apply for a Sustainable Communities Grant for the Chula Vista Neighborhood Electric Vehicle (NEV) Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Electric Vehicles (NEVs) are an emerging clean technology: small, electric battery-powered zero-emission passenger vehicles that carry a load of up to 3,000 lbs. and travel up to 45 mph. The City of Chula Vista will work to develop and deliver a citywide Neighborhood Electric Vehicle Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the plan will help meet GHG reduction targets and address the region's increasing traffic congestion in conjunction with previously implemented transportation and planning projects including the Smart Cities Strategic Action Plan, Global Climate Action/Clean Energy, and Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the passage of Senate Bill 1151 authorized "any city in the county to establish a[n]... NEV transportation plan" and created an opportunity for the expansion and development of the City's nascent NEV infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1151 bill includes language that requires cities within San Diego County that are adopting NEV plans to "consult with SANDAG, the Department of Transportation, the Department of the California Highway Patrol, and any applicable local law

enforcement agency in preparing a specified report to the Legislature”, and Chula Vista has consulted with SANDAG and Caltrans on this grant; and

WHEREAS, a citywide NEV Transportation Plan will leverage existing and planned infrastructure and facilities among NEVs, bikes, scooters, and pedestrians, thereby supporting the Mobility Hub concept and will determine the feasibility of shared low-speed pathways that provide safe and low/no emission travel options for travelers of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive Federal and/or State funding for certain transportation planning related plans, through the California Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, a Restricted Grant Agreement is needed to be executed with the California Department of Transportation before such funds can be claimed through the Transportation Grant Programs; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to delegate authority to execute these agreements and any amendments to the City Manager or designee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista that it authorizes the submittal of an application for the California Department of Transportation Sustainable Communities Grant Program, and authorizes the Director of Engineering and Capital Projects or designee to execute agreements and amendments with the California Department of Transportation for the Chula Vista Neighborhood Electric Vehicle (NEV) Transportation Plan.

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