

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** September 17, 2019

**TO:** Christine Daniel, City Manager

**FROM:** Pedro Jimenez, Community Services Director

SUBJECT: Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Emeryville Authorizing

The City Manager To Execute The Project Funding Agreement With The Alameda County Transportation Commission In The Amount Of \$132,000 For The Purchase Of A New Wheelchair Accessible Bus For The Emeryville Senior Center Group Trips Program And Appropriate

**Said Funds To 261-91200** 

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council of the City of Emeryville adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Project Funding Agreement with the Alameda County Transportation Commission (A-CTC) for \$132,000 to purchase a new wheelchair accessible bus for the Emeryville Senior Center Group Trips Program.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Emeryville Senior Center boasts one of the most comprehensive day-trip programs of any Senior Center in the Bay Area and beyond. The Center hosts anywhere from 10-15 trips per month with activities including local and regional festivals, museums, events, restaurants, wineries, and other attractions. Destinations are as far south as Carmel, as far North as the Wine Country, and as far east as Sacramento. Trips are staffed with bus drivers who have been hired specifically for Senior Center trips. The current bus accommodates 22 passengers and is wheelchair accessible. Affectionately named "Go Van Go," the bus was purchased in 2008 and is nearing the end of its useful life.

# **DISCUSSION**

Alameda CTC announced a grant program under its Community Investment Program (CIP – not to be confused with Capital Improvement Projects) for a five-year period from 2020-2024. One of the eligible projects was for capital projects for accessible transportation. Staff applied for the grant in December 2018 and were notified of the award in April 2019.

Upon execution of this agreement, staff plan to purchase a bus of similar capacity as the current bus. Once a product is selected, the purchase will require additional action by City Council.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The Funding Agreement requires a 12% match by the Grantee. However, Measure B/BB Direct Local Distribution (DLD) funds can be used for this match. The application was for a total purchase of \$150,000. Of this, a maximum of \$132,000 will come from this agreement. The remaining \$18,000 will come from DLD funds. This was specified in the Paratransit Program Plan that was submitted to A-CTC in January 2019 and approved in April 2019. No general funds dollars will be needed to purchase the new vehicle. These funds were not included in the FY2019-2020/FY2020-2021 Adopted Budget. Funds will be appropriated to 261-91200.

## STAFF COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC

The Commission on Aging recommended that the City Council adopt the agreement at their regular meeting on September 11, 2019.

## CONCLUSION

The Alameda CTC has authorized this funding agreement at their regular meeting on June 17, 2019.

**PREPARED BY:** Brad Helfenberger, Recreation Manager

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EMERYVILLE:

Christine Daniel, City Manager

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- Draft Resolution
- ACTC Project Funding Agreement