

9. Consideration of submitting an application for Federal Highway Administration Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant funds for the acquisition and installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations.



## LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

**THRU:** Valentino Perez, Public Works Director

**DATE:** July 18, 2024

**RE:** Consideration of submitting an application for Federal Highway Administration Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant funds for the acquisition and installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations.

### SUMMARY:

Staff is requesting authorization to apply for grant funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Opportunity (Round 2) which includes the Community and Corridor Programs. The proposed project will include the acquisition and installation of publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to expand or fill gaps in access to charging and/or to support buildout of charging infrastructure along designated alternative fuel corridors. The grant application must be submitted by August 28, 2024.

The proposed project is estimated at \$500,000 which is the grant floor for the CIF Community Program and can include development phase activities, related construction or reconstruction, contracting with a private entity and educational and community engagement activities.

### REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Public Works

### FISCAL IMPACT:

If awarded the grant, the City will ensure the required 20% matching fund cost share of the total project cost is met using General Fund undesignated fund balance. The potential match is \$100,000; however, no funds will be expensed unless the grant is awarded. Public Works is the requesting department in collaboration with Parks and Facilities Departments on project scope for potential EV charging infrastructure locations.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Motion to apply for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant (Round 2) to acquire and install publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to expand or fill gaps in access to charging and/or to support buildout of charging infrastructure along designated alternative fuel corridors and to authorize the City Manager to execute the grant agreement, if awarded.

**ATTACHMENTS:**