

# **City Council Agenda Item**

City Council Meeting Date: December 7, 2021

**TO:** Jim Throop, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Approve Submittal of Applications, and Designate Agents to Apply For,

Obtain, and Administer CalRecycle Grant Program Funds; Adoption of

Resolution No. 6463(21)

## Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council

- Adopt Resolution No. 6463(21) to facilitate the submittal of grant applications, securing of grant funds and carrying out the objectives specified in grant applications and grant agreements with the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle):
  - a. Authorizing the Public Works Director, or designee, to execute all necessary applications, application amendments, payment requests, and related documents; and
  - b. Authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute all contracts, agreements, amendments, and related documents, or
- 2) Provide alternate direction.

## Background:

As discussed annually in previous staff reports recommending the City's adoption of its Measure A Five-Year Local Program of Projects, the City needs much more funding for street pavement rehabilitation projects than the amount of funding currently allocated for those projects. CalRecycle offers various grant programs to promote reduction, reuse, and recycling of waste materials. One such CalRecycle program is the Rubberized Pavement Grant Program (Grant Program) pursuant to Sections 42872 and 42873 of the

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Public Resources Code. The Grant Program promotes the use of California waste tire rubber in rubberized pavement products.

CalRecycle offers competitive grants to local agencies through the Grant Program for using specified minimum threshold quantities of recycled tire rubber in projects proposed in the agencies' grant applications. Grant funding amounts are based upon the location of the agency, the number of prior CalRecycle grants received by the agency, and the quantity of tire rubber proposed for use.

## **Discussion:**

The City has previously received three Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Grants and five Rubberized Chip Seal Grants through the Grant Program. Resolution No. 6079(16) approved the submittal of applications and designated agents for the City to apply for, obtain, and administer CalRecycle Grant Program funds for the five-year period ending November 15, 2021. Staff plans to perform a rubberized chip seal project during Fiscal Year 2021-2022 or 2022-2023, which is eligible for over \$180,000 of funding through the Grant Program. In order to continue the City's eligibility for CalRecycle grant funding, the City must update its authorizing resolution for the Grant Program.

Aside from the benefit of receiving grant funding, the City has also benefitted by using rubberized chip seals to extend the pavement life of many City streets. Those rubberized chip seals cost several times less than a pavement overlay, allowing the City to greatly increase the effectiveness of its limited funding for paving projects.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The adoption of Resolution No. 6463(21) alone does not have a fiscal impact to the City or the City's General Fund. However, if the City is successful in obtaining grants in the future because of the adoption of the resolution, then there will be positive fiscal impacts to the City because external State grant funding would be contributing to the cost of certain future street pavement rehabilitation projects.

## **Conclusion:**

The City needs much more funding for street pavement rehabilitation projects than is currently allocated for those projects. CalRecycle grant programs provide limited additional funding for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
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Attachment: Resolution No. 6463(21)

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