

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the California Transportation Commission has issued a call for projects for Cycle 8 of the Active Transportation Program, with applications due June 22, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Active Transportation Program is intended to increase the use of active transportation modes, improve safety and mobility for nonmotorized users, enhance public health, support greenhouse gas reduction efforts, and ensure disadvantaged communities share in the benefits of the program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Maria desires to submit an application for funding for the proposed multi-purpose trail system intended to improve active transportation connectivity throughout the City and provide connections to key destinations including Downtown/Civic Center, the Transit Center, Allan Hancock College, neighborhoods, schools, parks, and other community destinations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project concept may include improvements along existing channel-adjacent maintenance roads, roadway realignment and reconfiguration, crossing improvements, accessibility improvements, wayfinding, and related improvements necessary to create a continuous and safe active transportation facility; and

WHEREAS, the Active Transportation Program is intended to increase the use of active transportation modes, improve safety and mobility for nonmotorized users, enhance public health, support greenhouse gas reduction efforts, and ensure disadvantaged communities share in the benefits of the program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that submission of the grant application is in the public interest and will allow the City to compete for external funding to advance a transformative active transportation project for the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes submission of an application to the California Active Transportation Program.

SECTION 2. The City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute and submit the grant application and any supporting documents, assurances, certifications, and other materials required to apply for Active Transportation Program funding for the project.

SECTION 3. The City Council acknowledges that if funding is awarded, future City Council action may be required for grant acceptance, budget appropriations, matching funds, environmental review, agreements, and project implementation, as applicable; and

SECTION 4. The Chief Deputy City Clerk is hereby authorized to make minor changes herein to address clerical errors, so long as substantial conformance of the intent of this document is maintained. In doing so, the Chief Deputy City Clerk shall consult with the City Manager and City Attorney concerning any changes deemed necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, held this 5th day of May 2026.

ATTEST:

Mayor

Chief Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Department Director

City Manager