

**MOORPARK CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT**

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: Yugal K. Lall, City Engineer/Public Works Director
Prepared by: Shaun Kroes, Senior Management Analyst



DATE: May 20, 2010 (CC Meeting of 06/02/10)

**SUBJECT: Consider Resolution Authorizing the City's Fiscal Year 2010/11
Transportation Development Act Claim for Bicycle and/or Pedestrian
Article 3 Purposes**

BACKGROUND

On February 26, 2010, the City applied for \$66,000 in Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Funds. The funding request was for a 1,200 foot sidewalk and bike path approximately 12 feet wide at Arroyo Vista Recreation Center. The project would provide a dedicated pathway for pedestrians and bicyclists along the interior park access road. On May 12, 2010, City staff was informed that it would receive \$38,556.

A resolution authorizing the claim must be submitted to the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) before funds can be allocated. Resolutions are due before June 30, 2010.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to California PUC Section 99233.3, a portion of the available TDA Local Transportation Funds each year must be used for planning, maintaining, and constructing facilities for the exclusive use of pedestrians and bicyclists. In FY 2010/11, VCTC expects about \$368,556 to be available on a competitive basis to the cities and County for local bicycle or pedestrian projects. Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide a 50/50 match with local and/or other grant funds to augment the Article 3 funds being requested. The City applied for \$66,000 for the 1,200 foot sidewalk and bike path. The project's expected expense at the time of the application was \$132,000. Staff proposed that the City's match would be \$66,000, funded by the Traffic System Management Fund (2001). The applications were reviewed by the Citizen's Transportation Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (CTAC/SSTAC) on May 11, 2010. Each CTAC/SSTAC member present at the May 11th meeting provided his or her score for each

proposal, based upon a scoring criteria. All proposal scores were added and the proposals were ranked against each other based upon each proposal's total score. The total amount of funding available was less than the total amount of funding requested therefore, proposals ranking higher than others received full funding.

Out of eight proposals submitted, Moorpark's proposal ranked seventh. This was the result of a combination of factors, including the types of projects submitted and the number of CTAC/SSTAC members present. Each municipality has the ability to have two members plus an alternate. On the day of the vote, only one Moorpark CTAC member was present, the other member and alternate were unable to attend. Consequently, Moorpark's proposal received fewer votes than other municipalities that had both members present. Other cities that only had one representative were Port Hueneme, Ventura, Simi Valley, and Thousand Oaks. Moorpark's rank as number seven meant that the City received the remaining funds available after the other six proposals received full funding. The remaining funds totaled \$38,556, or 58% of the requested amount. The unfunded \$27,444 can be supplemented with previous TDA Article 3 funds. Also, City staff is working to submit a Safe Route to School's grant request for the project as well. The recommendations by CTAC/SSTAC will be reviewed by VCTC on June 4, 2010, which will give final funding allocation approvals.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City is expected to receive \$38,556 in TDA Article 3 funding in FY 2010/11.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 2010 - ____.

Attachment A: Resolution 2010 - ____

Attachment B: TDA Article 3 Application

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A CLAIM WITH THE VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS FOR BICYCLE AND/OR PEDESTRIAN ARTICLE 3 PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

WHEREAS, the State Transportation Development Act (TDA), as amended (Public Utilities Code Section 99200 et seq.), provides for the allocation of funds from the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) for use by eligible claimants for various transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the TDA was specifically amended in 1973 to include funding under PUC Section 99234 for planning of and/or projects for the exclusive use by bicyclists and/or pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the TDA, as amended, and pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations hereunder (Cal. Code of Regulations Sections 6600 et seq.), a prospective claimant wishing to receive an allocation from the LTF shall file its claim with the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager and or his designee is authorized to execute and file an appropriate claim pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations promulgated hereunder, together with all necessary supporting documents, with the VCTC for an allocation of LTF Article 3 funds in FY 2010/11.

SECTION 2. That the City's authorized claim includes \$38,556 under TDA Article 3 for local bicyclist and/or pedestrian project expenditures.

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to VCTC.

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of the resolution and shall cause a certified resolution to be filed in the book of original resolutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of June, 2010.

Janice S. Parvin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maureen Benson, Assistant City Clerk



City of Moorpark

CITY ENGINEER/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

799 Moorpark Avenue, Moorpark, California 93021 (805) 517-6256 fax (805) 532-2555

February 26, 2010

Mary Travis, Program Manager – Rail & TDA Programs
Ventura County Transportation Commission
950 County Square Drive, Suite 207
Ventura, CA 93002

SUBJECT: CLAIM FOR FY 2010/2011 SB 821 FUNDS

Dear Ms. Travis:

The City is requesting SB 821 funds for the construction of a sidewalk and bicycle path along with six curb cut ramps for pedestrian and bicyclist accessibility improvements. The project will take place at the City's Arroyo Vista Recreation Park with costs (including design and construction) estimated at \$132,000 of which \$66,000 (50 percent) can be provided by the City, and the remaining \$66,000 (50 percent) is requested through SB 821 funds.

These enhancements will improve pedestrian and bicyclist accessibility by connecting residential neighborhoods to the City's Recreation Center and Moorpark High School, Mountain Meadow Elementary School and Chaparral Middle School. The project will also improve access to local parks and shopping centers.

Completed claim forms are enclosed for your use. The City Council Resolution will follow if the City is awarded funding. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Shaun Kroes, Senior Management Analyst of my office at 805-517-6257.

Sincerely,

Yugal K. Lall, P.E.
City Engineer/Public Works Director

Enclosures

c: Steven Kueny, City Manager
Shaun Kroes, Senior Management Analyst
Ashraf Rostom, Superintendent/Inspector

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**VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) CLAIM FORM
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES CLAIMS**

ARTICLE 3 / PUC 99233.3

Fiscal Year: 2010/11

Date: 02-26-2010

Claimant: City of Moorpark

Address: 799 Moorpark Avenue

Moorpark, CA 93021

Contact Person: Shaun Kroes

Title: Senior Management Analyst

Telephone #: 805-517-6257

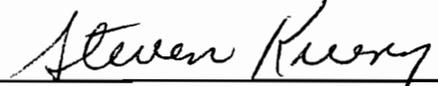
Fax #: 805-532-2555

E-Mail: skroes@ci.moorpark.ca.us

REQUESTED PAYMENT:

	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Article 3 Funds Requested	\$ <u>66,000</u>
TOTAL PAYMENT REQUESTED	\$ <u>66,000</u>
Reserve for Future Payment	\$ _____

Claimant acknowledges that payment by the County Auditor of an allocation made by Ventura County Transportation Commission is subject to such monies being on hand and available for distribution and to the provision that such monies be used only in accordance with the terms of the allocation instruction issued by the Ventura County Transportation Commission and in accordance with applicable State regulations.

Authorizing Signature: 

Print Name and Title: Steven Kueny, City Manager

Date: 2/24/10

**TDA ARTICLE 3 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES CLAIMS
FINANCIAL REPORTING FORM**

Claimant: City of Moorpark

Date: 02-26-2010

TDA ARTICLE 3 REVENUES & EXPENSES OF CLAIMANT

		<u>FY 09/10</u> <u>Estimated</u>	<u>FY 10/11</u> <u>Projected</u>
<u>Revenues</u>			
1.	Article 3 Revenues	1. \$30,000	\$66,000
2.	Interest	2. \$1,000	
3.	Refunds	3.	
4.	Total	4. \$31,000	\$60,000
<u>Expenditures</u>			
5.	Construction	5. \$31,000	\$60,000
6.	Maintenance	6.	
7.	Planning	7.	\$6,000
<u>Balance</u>			
8.	Excess of Revenue over expenditures (Subtract Lines 5, 6 & 7 from Line 4)	8.	
<u>Fund Balance</u>			
9.	Beginning of Year	9. \$31,000	\$66,000
10.	End of Year	10. \$0.00	\$0.00

Project Information

Project Name: Arroyo Vista Sidewalk/Bike Lane

Description:

Construction of a sidewalk/bike lane approximately 1,200 feet long and 12 feet wide in the City of Moorpark.

Project Revenue Budget:

TDA Article 3 Bike/Ped	\$ <u>66,000</u>
TDA Article 8 Local Streets	\$ _____
Other (specify) TSM Funds	\$ <u>66,000</u>

TOTAL **\$ 132,000**

**STANDARD ASSURANCES
FOR BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CLAIMANTS**

Claimant City of Moorpark Fiscal Year: 2010/2011

CLAIMANT ASSURANCE: (Initial below)

Initial



90-DAY ANNUAL REPORT

Claimant certifies that it has submitted a State Controller's report in conformance with the uniform system of accounts and reports, to VCTC and to the State Controller, pursuant to PUC 99245, for the prior year (project year minus two). Claimant assures that this report will be completed for the current fiscal year (project year minus one).

The undersigned hereby certifies that the above statement is true and correct.



(Authorizing Signature)

Steven Kueny, City Manager
(Print Name & Title)

**CITY OF MOORPARK
RESPONSES TO EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR SB 821 SUBMITTAL
FY 2010-2011**

EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. Matching and Past Allocations

The City of Moorpark is requesting \$66,000 in TDA Article 3 funds to install a 1,200 foot sidewalk and bike path approximately 12 feet wide at Arroyo Vista Recreation Center. This project will provide a dedicated pathway for pedestrians and bicyclists attending the park and Moorpark High School. The City will provide a 50 percent match (or \$66,000) for the project design and construction and construction inspection costs.

Previous allocations from the VCTC have included \$25,000 for a lighted crosswalk in the downtown area (completed); \$70,000 for the Lassen Avenue Parkway (completed); and \$30,000 for countdown pedestrian signals (currently in progress).

2. Safety

The proposed sidewalk and bike path would provide a dedicated pathway along an area that currently consists of a roadway and dirt path. Installation of the sidewalk and bike path would remove pedestrians and bicyclists from the existing vehicle pathway. Installation of six accessibility ramps will enable disabled individuals, seniors, parents with strollers and bicyclists with a smooth transition across intersections. Many of the current pedestrians and bicyclists are high school students who are traveling from residential areas on the north side of the Arroyo Simi to Moorpark High School, which is located south of the Arroyo Simi and west of the Arroyo Vista Recreation Center. The dedicated pathways will also improve safety during events at the Recreation Center, including the 4th of July celebration, Kids Day in the Park, and multiple youth and adult sporting events held at the Recreation Center throughout the year.

3. Project Readiness

This project will commence upon approval of the Fiscal Year 2010/11 budget and is expected to be completed by June 2011.

4. Special Considerations

The City will provide a 50 percent match with local funds for design, construction costs and construction inspection costs associated with the Recreation Center sidewalk and bike path. The project will provide pedestrian accessibility to three schools in this area including Moorpark High School, Mountain Meadow Elementary School and Chaparral Middle School. The improved accessibility will help the disabled to become more self-reliant with access to parks, shopping centers, bus stops and residential areas. The proposed pedestrian and bike path is another tool for the City as it continues its efforts to make Moorpark a pedestrian friendly town. The safer that pedestrians feel, the more inclined they will be to continue to walk and bike to their destinations rather than drive, which in turn reduces pollution and improves the quality of life in Moorpark. Exhibit A provides an aerial overview of the proposed project. Exhibit B provides pictures of the existing site and a narrative of where improvements will be located.

Other pedestrian friendly projects that Moorpark has recently begun or completed include the Lassen Avenue Walkway/Bikeway, which connects the Moorpark downtown area to local shopping centers. The City's FY 2009/10 project of countdown pedestrian signals is also meant to improve pedestrian safety. The City has already received \$206,000 in Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) funds for bike lanes on Princeton Avenue which will connect the northeastern portion of Moorpark to the rest of the City. A recent award of an additional \$900,000 in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for expansion of Princeton Avenue has helped to ensure completion of the project.

5. Maintenance of Facility

The proposed sidewalk, bike path and ramps will form part of the City of Moorpark maintenance program that replaces deteriorated sections of the City pedestrian sidewalks, bike paths and ramps.

6. Connectivity

This project will provide access to existing sidewalks in this area and connect the following major arterial and collector roads in the City of Moorpark:

- Los Angeles Avenue
- Tierra Rejada Road

The Citywide installation of pedestrian sidewalks, bike paths and accessibility ramps provides for continuation of a program to increase pedestrian accessibility to the maximum extent possible. In providing more pedestrian accessibility sidewalks, bike paths and ramps the City is closing the gaps by decreasing the number of streets without them.

7. Involvement of Other Agencies

There is no direct involvement or role, but agencies that will greatly benefit from the construction of the proposed sidewalk, bike path and ramps include:

- The Moorpark Unified School District.
- The Parks and Recreation Department (of the City of Moorpark).
- American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO)
- Moorpark Packer Football
- Moorpark Girls Softball

8. Traffic Generators

The sidewalk, bike path and curb ramps will be installed in the City's continuing effort to provide for comprehensive pedestrian and bike accessibility to community parks, schools, churches, work sites, bus stops and local shopping centers.

9. Expected Utilization Rate

Expected utilization rate for this project will be high. The proposed sidewalk, bike path and curb ramps are located near residential and collector streets heavily traveled by pedestrians and in densely developed areas. The City can expect that over the life of the improvements, the cost compared to the rate of utilization will be very low. The proposed sidewalk, bike path and ramps will provide accessibility to three schools and local shopping centers. Current pedestrian and bicyclist counts show an average of 140 existing users during a single hour both before the start of school in the morning and at the time of dismissal in the afternoon. Staff from the Recreation Center reported a steady flow of activity throughout the day of pedestrians and bicyclists.

10. Multi-modal Interface

The project will encourage the use of bicycles as it increases the amount of dedicated bike lanes in the City. The proximity of Moorpark City Transit to the proposed sidewalk and bike lane may increase the use of public transit, however, of more importance is the potential decrease in passenger vehicle travel as residents elect to use a bicycle rather than drive to their intended destination.



City of Moorpark Public Works Department

EXHIBIT B - PICTURE NARRATIVE

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Entrance to Villa Campesina Park, located on north side of the Arroyo Simi.



Entrance to existing Pedestrian Bridge, facing south towards east-end of Arroyo Vista Recreation Center.



Existing sidewalk leading from the south-end of Pedestrian Bridge to the east-end of the Arroyo Vista Recreation Center.



Proposed sidewalk and bike lane will go along north-side of Arroyo Vista Recreation Center, traveling west. Sidewalk and bike lane then cross the street to the south-side of the street.

EXHIBIT B - PICTURE NARRATIVE

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Sidewalk and bike lane connects to south-side of the street, west-end of “C Lot”. Sidewalk and bike lane continue west along south-side of the street.



New sidewalk connects to existing sidewalk. Concrete handicap ramps will replace existing red curb to provide smooth transition. Protected bike path ends at this point for now.



Current pedestrian utilization of Arroyo Vista Recreation Center street.