

RESOLUTION NO. 8-25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THE ALLOCATION
OF FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT
PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE PROJECT FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Article 3 of the Transportation Development Act (TDA), Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section 99200 *et seq.*, authorizes the submission of claims to a regional transportation planning agency for the funding of projects exclusively for the benefit and/or use of pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), as the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay region, has adopted MTC Resolution No. 4108, Revised, entitled “Transportation Development Act, Article 3, Pedestrian/Bicycle Projects,” which delineates procedures and criteria for submission of requests for the allocation of “TDA Article 3” funding; and

WHEREAS, MTC Resolution No. 4108, Revised requires that requests for the allocation of TDA Article 3 funding be submitted as part of a single, countywide coordinated claim from each county in the San Francisco Bay region; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond desires to submit a request to MTC for the allocation of TDA Article 3 funds to support the projects described in Attachment B to this resolution, which are for the exclusive benefit and/or use of pedestrians and/or bicyclists.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richmond, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct, and this City Council hereby so finds and determines.

Section 2. The City of Richmond declares it is eligible to request an allocation of TDA Article 3 funds pursuant to Section 99234 of the Public Utilities Code.

Section 3. No pending or threatened litigation might adversely affect the project or projects described in Attachment B to this resolution, or that might impair the ability of the City of Richmond to carry out the project.

Section 4. The City of Richmond attests to the accuracy of and approves the statements in Attachment A to this resolution.

Section 5. A certified copy of this resolution and its attachments, and any accompanying supporting materials shall be forwarded to the congestion management agency, countywide transportation planning agency, or county association of governments, as the case may be, of Contra Costa County for submission to MTC as part of the countywide coordinated TDA Article 3 claim.

Section 6. The City Council of the City of Richmond accepts and appropriates the grant award for the City of Richmond Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget, should the grant be awarded.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held January 21, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bana, Brown, Jimenez, Robinson, Wilson, Vice Mayor Zepeda, and Mayor Martinez.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:
EDUARDO MARTINEZ
Mayor

Approved as to form:
DAVE ALESHIRE
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa } : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 8-25**, finally passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on January 21, 2025.



Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond

Attachment A

Re: Application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the Allocation of Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Pedestrian/Bicycle Project Funding

Findings

1. That the City of Richmond is not legally impeded from submitting a request to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the allocation of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funds, nor is the City of Richmond legally impeded from undertaking the project(s) described in “Attachment B” of this resolution.
2. That the City of Richmond has committed adequate staffing resources to complete the project(s) described in Attachment B.
3. A review of the project(s) described in Attachment B has resulted in the consideration of all pertinent matters, including those related to environmental and right-of-way permits and clearances, attendant to the successful completion of the project(s).
4. Issues attendant to securing environmental and right-of-way permits and clearances for the projects described in Attachment B have been reviewed and will be concluded in a manner and on a schedule that will not jeopardize the deadline for the use of the TDA funds being requested.
5. That the project(s) described in Attachment B comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.).
6. That as portrayed in the budgetary description(s) of the project(s) in Attachment B, the sources of funding other than TDA are assured and adequate for the completion of the project(s).
7. That the project(s) described in Attachment B are for capital construction and/or final design and engineering or quick build project; and/or for the maintenance of a Class I bikeway which is closed to motorized traffic and/or Class IV separated bikeway; and/or for the purposes of restriping Class II bicycle lanes; and/or for the development or support of a bicycle safety education program; and/or for the development of a comprehensive bicycle and/or pedestrian facilities plan, and an allocation of TDA Article 3 funding for such a plan has not been received by the City of Richmond within the prior five fiscal years.
8. That the project(s) described in Attachment B which are bicycle projects have been included in a detailed bicycle circulation element included in an adopted general plan, or included in an adopted comprehensive bikeway plan (such as outlined in Section 2377 of the California Bikeways Act, Streets and Highways Code section 2370 et seq.) or responds to an immediate community need, such as a quick-build project.
9. That any project described in Attachment B bicycle project meets the mandatory minimum safety design criteria published in the California Highway Design Manual or is in a National Association of City and Transportation Officials (NACTO) guidance or similar best practices document.
10. That the project(s) described in Attachment B will be completed in the allocated time (fiscal year of allocation plus two additional fiscal years).
11. That the City of Richmond agrees to maintain, or provide for the maintenance of, the project(s) and facilities described in Attachment B, for the benefit of and use by the public.

TDA Article 3 Project Application Form

1. Agency	City of Richmond		
2. Primary Contact	Janney Lockman		
3. Mailing Address	450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804		
4. Email Address	Janney_lockman@ci.richmond.ca.us	5. Phone Number	510-307-8097
6. Secondary Contact (in the event primary is not available)	Josef Munoz		
7. Mailing address (if different) N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8. Email Address	Josef_munoz@ci.richmond.ca.us	9. Phone Number	510-620-6671
10. Send allocation instructions to (if different from above):			
11. Project Title	Downtown Point Richmond Bicycle Connectivity Project (fka Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements)		
12. Amount requested	\$213,100	13. Fiscal Year of Claim	2025-2026

14. Description of Overall Project:

The project is essential in the City of Richmond's effort to implement Key Corridor recommendations of the Ferry to Bridge to Greenway Complete Streets Plan (F2B2G Plan) by completing the spine Bay Trail between the Richmond-San Francisco Ferry Terminal, the Richmond-San Rafael (RSR) Bridge Trail, and the Point Molate Trail. By closing one of the crucial gaps in bicycle connectivity through the City of Richmond, this project will make bicycling and walking safer and more comfortable locally in Point Richmond, and regionally for those traveling between the East and North Bay for work, school, errands, or recreation. These regional Bay Trail improvements will benefit residents of Richmond, those residing in nearby Communities of Concern neighborhoods, and residents of the East Bay and North Bay.

This project will extend the bikeway to the RSR Bridge trailhead at Castro Street and make pedestrian safety improvements through the Point Richmond Historic District, as shown in the map in Attachment 1. This project will implement F2B2G Plan Interim Design Concepts shown in Attachment 2 and the 30% engineering design plans shown in Attachment 3, and design rail crossing improvements over the BNSF tracks on West Richmond Avenue.

This project is a high priority due to the heavy cyclist and pedestrian traffic through this congested area. Since the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail opened in November 2019, over 374,434 bicycle trips have been taken. An additional 46,016 pedestrian trips have been taken over this trail since August 2020.

The City of Richmond has previously been awarded TDA funding for this project in the FY 2022-2023 cycle. However, since the initial funding request, costs have increased, and concept plans and initial cost estimates did not account for the complexity of crossing the BNSF tracks at West Richmond Avenue. The City of Richmond now has the staffing capacity to deliver this project. Engineering consultant procurement is expected to occur in January 2025, with project kick-off and outreach beginning shortly after. Staff continues to seek additional funding from grants and other sources to deliver this project. This funding will support the PS&E project phases, and allow the City to continue moving the project forward as we seek additional funding for construction.

15. Project Scope Proposed for Funding: (Project level environmental, preliminary planning, and ROW are ineligible uses of TDA funds.)

16. Project Location: A map of the project location is attached or a link to a online

This funding will be used towards development of PS&E for bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements in the Point Richmond neighborhood on Tewksbury Avenue from Washington Avenue to Santa Fe Avenue, Railroad Ave from Washington Ave to W Richmond Ave, W Richmond Ave from Railroad Ave to S Garrard Blvd, W Richmond Ave from Railroad Ave and S Garrard Blvd, S Garrard Blvd from W Richmond Ave to W Cutting Blvd. See map in Attachment 1.

Improvements include:

- Installation of protected two-way cycle tracks.
- Reconfiguration of motor vehicle parking to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and access.
- High visibility crosswalks with ADA-compliant curb ramps.
- Sidewalk extensions to reduce street crossing distances.
- AC Transit bus stop relocation and improvements to accommodate the cycle track.
- Wayfinding signs and pavement markings.

map of the project location is provided below:

Please see attached map.

Project Relation to Regional Policies (for information only)

17. Is the project in an [Equity Priority Community](#)?

Yes No

18. Is this project in a [Priority Development Area](#) or a [Transit-Oriented Community](#)?

Yes No

19. Project Budget and Schedule

Bike/Ped Plan				
ENV		80,000	80,000	Dec-25
PA&ED				
PS&E	213,100	606,900	1,120,000	Aug-26
ROW				
CON			1,650,000	Jun-28
Total Cost	213,100	686,900	2,850,000	

Project Eligibility

A. Has the project been reviewed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee?

Yes No

If "YES," identify the date and provide a copy or link to the agenda.

If "NO," provide an explanation).

B. Has the project been approved by the claimant's governing body?

Yes No

If "NO," provide expected date: _____

C. Has this project previously received TDA Article 3 funding?

Yes No

(If "YES," provide an explanation on a separate page)

D. For "bikeways," does the project meet Caltrans minimum safety design criteria

Yes No

pursuant to [Chapter 1000 of the California Highway Design Manual](#)?

E. 1. Is the project categorically exempt from CEQA, pursuant to CCR Section 15301(c),

Yes No

Existing Facility?

2. If "NO" above, is the project is exempt from CEQA for another reason?

Yes No

Cite the basis for the exemption. _____

N/A

If the project is not exempt, please check "NO," and provide environmental documentation, as appropriate.

F. Estimated Completion Date of project (month and year): July 2028.

G. Have provisions been made by the claimant to maintain the project or facility, or has

Yes No

the claimant arranged for such maintenance by another agency? (If an agency other than the Claimant is to maintain the facility, please identify below and provide the agreement.

H. Is a Complete Streets Checklist required for this project ?

Yes No

If the amount requested is over \$250,000 or if the total project phase or construction phase is over \$250,000, a Complete Streets checklist is likely required. Please attach the Complete Streets checklist or record of review, as applicable. More information and the form may be found here: <https://mtc.ca.gov/planning/transportation/complete-streets>

Project Eligibility C. Explanation

The City of Richmond received a \$178,400 allocation from TDA Article 3 for FY 2022-2023 under the project title Richmond Ferry to Bridge Bicycle & Pedestrian Network Improvements. However, since this allocation was received, the City of Richmond Public Works Department has undergone significant staffing changes, which have delayed the start of this project. With a new Public Works Director, Capital Projects Manager, and new planning and engineering staff, the City of Richmond now can deliver this project. Engineering consultant procurement is expected to begin in early 2025. Staff anticipates requesting an extension from MTC for this funding.