

# STAFF REPORT

## City of Lancaster

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Date: March 22, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Consideration of a Resolution Committing the City to Provide Matching Funds for Two Bicycle Transportation Account Grant Applications**

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**Recommendation:**

Adopt **Resolution No. 11-18**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, committing the City to provide local match funds, if selected for award, for two submitted competitive grant applications under the Bicycle Transportation Account.

**Fiscal Impact:**

If both projects are awarded, the City will provide \$50,000.00 in matching funds from a capital improvement account.

**Background:**

On March 18, 2011, staff submitted two project applications to be considered by the State of California Transportation Department (Caltrans) for \$450,000.00 in grant funds under the Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA). The BTA provides state funds for city and county projects that improve safety and convenience for bicycle commuters. Caltrans requires all applicant agencies under this program to commit, by resolution, to provide a minimum ten percent (10%) local fund match if a project is selected for award.

The first project will improve and enhance the existing Class II bike lane on Lancaster Boulevard from 10<sup>th</sup> Street West to Valley Central Way. The second project proposes to install a Class II bike lane on 20<sup>th</sup> Street West between Avenue J-8 and Avenue L. Both projects are identified in the proposed amended version of the City of Lancaster Bicycle Transportation Plan 2008 and support the BTA goal of improving the safety and convenience of bicycle commuters.

**Attachment:**

Resolution No. 11-18

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