

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: April 24, 2012

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Commitment to Provide Matching Funds for Three Bicycle Transportation Account Grant Applications**

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 12-17**, 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 three competitive grant applications under the Bicycle Transportation Account.

Fiscal Impact:

If all projects are awarded, the City will provide approximately \$300,000.00 in matching funds from a capital improvement account.

Background:

On April 27, 2012, staff will submit three project applications to be considered by the State of California Transportation Department (Caltrans) for approximately \$3,000,000.00 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 commit by resolution the agency 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 I bike path and Class II bike lane on Avenue K-8 from 15th Street West to Sierra Highway. The second project proposes to install a Class II bike lane on 12th Street West between Avenue J-8 and Avenue K-8. The third project proposes to modify traffic signing and striping to add or widen bike lanes on Avenue I from 10th Street West to Challenger Way and on Division Street from Avenue I to Avenue K-4. These projects are identified in the Master Plan of Trails and Bikeways and support the BTA goal of improving the safety and convenience of bicycle commuters.

Attachment:

Resolution No. 12-17

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