RESOLUTION COMMITTING $2,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 PROP K FUNDS, WITH CONDITIONS, TO THE BAYSHORE CALTRAIN PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Schlage Lock site is a vacant former factory in Visitacion Valley adjacent to Bayshore Caltrain Station, which has very few direct pedestrian connections; and

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority’s Bi-County Transportation Study, adopted on March 26, 2013 through Resolution 13-42, identified a direct connection through the Schlage Lock site to the Bayshore Caltrain Station as one of the highest community priorities; and

WHEREAS, A private developer has proposed building housing, commercial facilities, and community uses on the site, as well as a street network that would provide a link between the existing neighborhoods and the Bayshore Caltrain Station, estimated to be completed in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Staff from the Transportation Authority, the Mayor’s Office and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) identified a way to provide continuous safe and secure access as soon as Fiscal Year 2016/17 by expediting the construction of an interim pedestrian connection through the development site as the overall project is constructed, at the cost of $2,000,000 beyond the developer’s existing budget; and

WHEREAS, The interim pathway, known as the Bayshore Caltrain Pedestrian Connections Project (the Project), is included in the Development Agreement for the Schlage Lock site scheduled for approval by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in July 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor’s Office requested that the Transportation Authority approve a commitment to allocate $2,000,000 in Prop K funds prior to anticipated approval of the Development Agreement by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; and
WHEREAS, The Project is eligible for funds from the Visitacion Valley Watershed Expenditure Plan line item (intended to fund San Francisco’s share of Bi-County Study projects) in the Prop K New and Upgraded Streets category; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Authority and SFMTA staff have included the Project in the draft 2014 Prop K New and Upgraded Streets 5-Year Prioritization Program (5YPP), covering Fiscal Years 2014/15 to 2018/19; and

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority Board will consider adoption of the aforementioned 5YPP in July 2014; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has committed to serve as fiscal sponsor for the developer and must request allocation of Prop K funds through the established Transportation Authority process; and

WHEREAS, The $2,000,000 commitment would be conditioned upon approval of the Schlage Lock Development Agreement by the Board of Supervisors and other required City agencies; and

WHEREAS, The commitment would also be conditioned on agreement that Transportation Authority and SFMTA staff jointly determine which other Bi-County transportation priorities (e.g. Geneva-Harney Bus Rapid Transit) are funded with that portion of the development’s anticipated neighborhood impact fees which is earmarked for transportation; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA and the Mayor’s Office have agreed to these conditions; and

WHEREAS, At its May 28, 2014 meeting, the Citizens Advisory Committee was briefed on the request and unanimously adopted a motion of support for the request; and

WHEREAS, On June 17, 2014, the Plans and Programs Committee reviewed the subject request and unanimously recommended approval of the staff recommendation; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That the Transportation Authority hereby commits $2,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2015/16 Prop K funds to the Caltrain Pedestrian Connections Project conditioned upon 1) approval of the Schlage Lock Development Agreement by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and other required City agencies and 2) as neighborhood impact fees are received, SFMTA and Transportation Authority staff will jointly determine which other Bi-County transportation priorities will be funded.

Attachment:
1. Map of Development Site with proposed Bayshore Pedestrian Connection Project routes
The foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority at a regularly scheduled meeting thereof, this 24th day of June, 2014, by the following votes:

Ayes: Commissioners Avalos, Breed, Campos, Chiu, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee (11)

Nays: (0)

Absent: (0)

John Avalos  
Chair  
Date  

ATTEST:
Tilly Chang  
Executive Director  
Date  

6.25.14
Figure 47: Caltrain Station Access

Attachment 1