



456 West Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707

408-730-7473
Sunnyvale.ca.gov

June 30, 2026

One Bay Area Grant 4 Program Selection Committee
Metropolitan Transportation Commission
375 Beale Street, Suite 800
San Francisco, CA 94105-2066

RE: Lawrence Expressway Multimodal Feasibility Study – One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) Cycle 4 Application – SUPPORT

Dear One Bay Area Grant 4 Program Selection Committee:

Larry Klein
Mayor

Richard Mehlinger
Vice Mayor

Alysa Cisneros
Councilmember

Murali Srinivasan
Councilmember

Linda Sell
Councilmember

Charlsie Chang
Councilmember

Eileen Le
Councilmember

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, I am writing to express strong support for the Santa Clara County Roads and Airports Department's (RDA) One Bay Area Grant 4 (OBAG 4) application for the Lawrence Expressway Multimodal Feasibility Study ("Study").

This Study advances key recommendations from the County's adopted Active Transportation Plan (ATP), which identified the need for Class I bicycle and pedestrian trails along all County expressways. The ATP established a high-level vision; the proposed Study will take the next essential step by developing a deeper, conceptual-level analysis of multimodal improvements along the Lawrence Expressway corridor.

The Study will evaluate existing conditions, travel patterns, and user behavior, and will develop infrastructure alternatives that improve safety and mobility for cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists. Within the existing expressway right-of-way, the Study will consider elements such as signage, striping, a separated safety barrier, and a Class I trail, plus an approximately six-foot-wide shoulder for experienced bicyclists. The Study will advance conceptual design to approximately 65 percent.

The City of Sunnyvale has a strong interest in the outcomes of this Study. Lawrence Expressway serves a significant number of Sunnyvale residents both traveling along the corridor and crossing it on neighborhood streets, and improving safety and connectivity for both travel patterns is a key objective the City shares with this Study. At-grade crossings along the corridor present safety and operational challenges for those traversing the Expressway, while those traveling along it contend with limited multimodal options and safety concerns. By identifying feasible multimodal concepts and a Class I path

alignment, the Study will enhance access to key destinations along the Expressway, promote safe and comfortable travel for all ages and abilities, and provide a strong foundation for future project development and competitive grant applications. These improvements directly benefit Sunnyvale residents who live, work, and travel along and across the Lawrence Expressway corridor.

The City of Sunnyvale strongly supports this important effort, as it aligns with the City's Active Transportation Plan, Vision Zero Plan, and Roadway Safety Plan and its priorities for livability, active transportation, and reduced air pollutant emissions (General Plan Goal LT-3). The Study will incorporate the National Association of City Transportation Officials' Designing for All Ages and Abilities guidance and adhere to the U.S. Access Board's Public Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG), consistent with the City's commitment to equitable and accessible infrastructure for all ages and abilities.

The City of Sunnyvale strongly supports this important effort and respectfully requests funding consideration for the Lawrence Expressway Multimodal Feasibility Study through OBAG Cycle 4. Thank you for your time and thoughtful review.

Sincerely,



Larry Klein
Mayor

cc: Governor Gavin Newsom
City Council
Tim Kirby, City Manager
Sarah Johnson-Rios, Assistant City Manager
Ramana Chinnakotla, Interim Director of Public Works