



City of Sunnyvale

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

SUBJECT

Consider a Request for Funding from Urban Systems Laboratories for an Automated Transit Network Development Partnership and Approval of Budget Modification No. 6

BACKGROUND

During the August 18, 2015 Council Study Session discussion of Transportation Impact Fees (TIF), Councilmember Davis requested that Council consider funding between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in “good faith money” to encourage investment in personal rapid transportation. Council expressed support to discuss this request on a future agenda.

Staff received the attached letter (Attachment 1) from Urban Systems Laboratories for an Automated Transit Network Development Partnership. Staff makes no recommendation on this item.

EXISTING POLICY

General Plan Policy LT-1.9 Support flexible and appropriate alternative transportation modes and transportation system management measures that reduce reliance on the automobile and serve changing regional and Citywide land use and transportation needs.

General Plan Policy LT-5.5 Support a variety of transportation modes.

- LT-5.5a Promote alternate modes of travel to the automobile.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A.

DISCUSSION

Councilmember Davis requested that Council consider funding between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in “good faith money” to encourage investment in personal rapid transportation. The attached letter from Urban Systems Laboratories requests an initial amount of \$10,000 for the purpose of formalizing a public-private partnership and to perform initial planning, partnership development and fundraising work for the development of an Automated Transit Network (ATN). The letter references a separate document that outlines the ATN Development Partnership; that is included here as Attachment 2.

FISCAL IMPACT

Urban Systems Laboratories is requesting an initial amount of \$10,000 for the purpose of formalizing the partnership and to perform initial planning, partnership development and fundraising work. There has been no discussion of additional one-time or ongoing fiscal impacts related to this request.

Funding Source

Funds are available in Project 829630 Council Set Aside, funded by the General Fund.

If Council chooses to fund this out of the Council Set Aside, Budget Modification No.6 has been prepared to move funds from the Council Set Aside into a new project. The Council Set Aside begins each Fiscal Year with \$100,000 available for unplanned projects. With adoption of the FY 2015/16 Budget, Council appropriated \$75,000 to fund Care Management Services. The remaining balance is \$25,000. This action will reduce the remaining amount for FY 2015/16 to \$15,000. If Council wishes to preserve the funding in the Council Set Aside, an appropriation could also be made from the Budget Stabilization Fund. Given the small size of this request, appropriating from the Budget Stabilization Fund would not have a significant impact on the General Fund.

**BUDGET MODIFICATION NO. 6
FISCAL YEAR 2015/16**

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Revised</u>
General Fund			
<u>Expenditures:</u>			
Project 829630 - Council Set Aside	\$25,000	(\$10,000)	\$15,000
New Project - Automated Transit Network Development Partnership	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Community Center and Department of Public Safety; and by making the agenda and report available at the Sunnyvale Public Library, the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's website.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Direct staff to contribute the initial amount of \$10,000 to Urban Systems Laboratories using available Council Set Aside funds and adopt Budget Modification No. 6
2. Direct staff to contribute another amount to Urban Systems Laboratories using available Council Set Aside funds and amend Budget Modification No. 6.
3. Direct staff to contribute the initial amount of \$10,000 to Urban Systems Laboratories from the Budget Stabilization Fund and amend Budget Modification No. 6.
4. Direct staff to take other action.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff makes no recommendation.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter from Urban Systems Laboratories

2. Urban Systems Laboratories Partnership Outline