

City of Calistoga

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Mike Kirn, Public Works Director
DATE: April 18, 2017
SUBJECT: Consideration of a Resolution Endorsing an Application for Grant Funds by the City of Calistoga for California Climate Investment Funds under the Urban Greening Program.

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



Gloria Leon, Acting City Manager

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2 **DISCUSSION:** Consideration of a Resolution Endorsing an Application for Grant Funds
3 by the City of Calistoga for California Climate Investment Funds under the Urban
4 Greening Program.

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6 **RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolutions.

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8 **BACKGROUND:** The Urban Greening program is part of the State of California's
9 Climate Investment Funding funded through Cap and Trade carbon credit sales. The
10 program funds tree planting; acquiring, creating, enhancing, or expanding community
11 parks and green spaces; and biking and hiking paths. There is \$76 million in grant
12 funding available in one cycle for this program. Applications must demonstrate
13 greenhouse gas reduction or carbon sequestration. Additional priority is given for
14 economic and job creation in areas of disadvantaged communities. The deadline for the
15 grant application is **May 1, 2017**. The program is managed by the State Natural
16 Resources Agency and promotes collaboration with nonprofits and other stakeholders in
17 the applications.

18 **DISCUSSION:** The Calistoga to St. Helena section of the Napa Valley Vine Trail
19 consists of two projects. One is the Fair Way Extension, to which the Vine Trail has
20 contributed funding in collaboration with the Bay Area Ridge Trail and the City of
21 Calistoga. This 0.6-mile project has completed design and the environmental document
22 was adopted by the City of Calistoga in November 2014. The Fair Way Extension is a
23 shovel-ready project with 100% complete construction plans. The Engineer's estimate
24 for this project is \$525,000.

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26 The second part of the project is the remaining proposed trail between Dunaweal Lane
27 and Pratt Avenue in St. Helena. This section is still in the preliminary design,
28 environmental analysis and right of way stage.

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30 Should the City be successful in obtaining an Urban Greening Grant, it would free up
31 funds under the Active Transportation Program grant to address some of the
32 unforeseen costs of realigning SR29.

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34 The project would be very competitive as almost all the prerequisites have been met
35 and as part of a larger greenhouse gas reduction project it should score well. It is
36 proposed to add trees for shade which will also get credit in the application.

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38 The Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition is being asked to endorse the application and also
39 co-sponsor the project.

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41 **FINANCIAL IMPACT:** There is no financial impact. No matching funds are required but
42 credit is given if matching funds are provided. The City of Calistoga has already
43 committed \$150k to the Vine Trail project between Calistoga and St. Helena, and a
44 portion of those funds could be allocated as a match.

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46 **ATTACHMENTS:**

47 1. Two Draft Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS URBAN GREENING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the California Natural Resources Agency has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the California Natural Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Calistoga:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the Fair Way Path Extension , and
2. Certifies that applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application, and
3. Certifies that applicant or title holder will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so, and
4. Certifies that it will comply with the provisions of Section 1771.5 of the State Labor Code, and
5. If applicable, certifies that the project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, environmental laws and, that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained, and
6. Certifies that applicant will work towards the Governor's State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1, and
7. Appoints the Director of Public Works, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

67 **RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – XXX**

68 **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF NAPA, STATE OF**
69 **CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR**
70 **CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS URBAN GREENING PROGRAM**
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73 Resolution endorsing application for an Urban Greening Grant and determining appropriate
74 environmental impact document, conditionally accepting grant if offered, and designating
75 contract manager and fiscal agent.
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77 **WHEREAS**, the California Natural Resources Agency, Urban Greening Grant Program
78 has announced the availability of funds for grants; and
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80 **WHEREAS**, said grants are intended to help create healthy and vibrant communities by
81 establishing and enhancing parks and open space, using natural solutions to improving air and
82 water quality and reducing energy consumption, and creating more walkable and bike-able
83 trails; and
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85 **WHEREAS**, the City of Calistoga has proposed to co-sponsor a grant application with
86 the Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition for the Fair Way Extension Path; and
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88 **WHEREAS**, we have concluded the project proposed for funding with the grant funds
89 would be beneficial and adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project on November
90 26, 2014; and
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92 **WHEREAS**, we consider the prospects of receiving a grant to be reasonably likely.
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94 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Calistoga approves the joint
95 application with Napa Valley Vine Trail Coalition for an Urban Greening Program grant.
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97 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, if offered such a grant, we
98 authorize the Public Works Director to accept and sign any contract for administration of the
99 grant funds, and the Public Works Director to act as Project Manager for the project. We hereby
100 delegate authority to the Project Manager to serve as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute
101 and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment
102 requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned
103 project(s). The delegation of authority to submit invoices requires written consent by both
104 grantees which will be provided to the California Natural Resources Agency.
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106 **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a
107 special meeting held the **18th day of April, 2017** by the following vote:
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109 **AYES:**
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111 **ABSTAIN:**
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115 **CHRIS CANNING, Mayor**

116 **ATTEST:**
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119 **KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk**