



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of Applications for Safe Routes to School Grants to the California Department of Transportation and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Grant Applications

MEETING DATE: November 15, 2006

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt a resolution authorizing the submittal of applications for Safe Routes to School grants to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the grant applications.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City of Lodi, in conjunction with the Lodi Unified School District (LUSD), has developed grant applications for the Caltrans new Safe Routes to School Program. This program is an element of the federal Hazard Elimination and Safety Program. Over the last few years, this program has funded the lighted pedestrian crossing at Reese School and the installation of new pedestrian school crossing signs around the City.

Two applications are being prepared in cooperation with LUSD. Project selection is based on grant criteria, staff knowledge of improvement needs, and input from LUSD principals and the 2X2 Committee. One application will seek to secure funding for traffic signal construction and parking lot striping modifications at Lodi Middle School. The project will significantly improve the operations and safety at the driveway entrances from Ham Lane to Lodi Middle School and Lodi Memorial Hospital. Traffic signal guidelines are currently met at this location.

A second application will address student crossings at various school locations on Century Boulevard, Wimbledon Drive and Crescent Avenue. Generally, the proposed improvements include the installation of pedestrian safety improvements. A summary of the proposed projects is as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Type of Improvement</u>
Scarborough Dr./Century Blvd.	Beckman Elementary Century Assembly Tokay High	Traffic calming and enhanced pedestrian crossing
Dartmoor Circle/Century Blvd.	Tokay High	Pedestrian crossing improvements
Wimbledon Dr./Scarborough Dr.	Beckman Elementary	Traffic calming and pedestrian crossing improvements
Crescent Ave./Tamarack Dr.	Nichols Elementary	Traffic calming and pedestrian crossing improvements

FISCAL IMPACT: The total preliminary rough estimate for the grant application is approximately \$425,000. The Safe Route to School program provides funds for 90% of the project total (\$382,500) and 10% local match (\$42,500). Local match will be determined pending a successful grant and could include available sources from TDA, private development and LUSD.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Not applicable at this time. Local match to be determined pending a successful grant.

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APPROVED: _____
Blair King, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL GRANT APPLICATIONS TO CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi, in conjunction with the Lodi Unified School District, has developed two grant applications for the Caltrans new Safe Routes to School Program, which is an element of the federal Hazard Elimination and Safety Program; and

WHEREAS, one application will seek to secure funding for traffic signal construction and parking lot striping modifications at Lodi Middle School, which will significantly improve the operations and safety at the driveway entrances from Ham Lane to Lodi Middle School and Lodi Memorial Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the second application will address student crossings at various school locations on Century Boulevard, Wimbledon Drive and Crescent Avenue, by installing pedestrian safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, a summary of the proposed projects is as follows:

Location	School	Type of Improvement
Scarborough Drive/Century Boulevard	Beckman Elementary Century Assembly Tokay High	Traffic calming and enhanced pedestrian crossing
Dartmoor Circle/Century Boulevard	Tokay High	Pedestrian crossing improvements
Wimbledon Drive/Scarborough Drive	Beckman Elementary	Traffic calming and pedestrian crossing improvements
Crescent Avenue/Tamarack Drive	Nichols Elementary	Traffic calming and pedestrian crossing improvements

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize the submittal of grant applications for Caltrans' "Safe Routes to School" Program for the projects listed above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the grant applications on behalf of the City of Lodi.

Dated: November 15, 2006

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2006-_____ was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 15, 2006, by the following vote:

- AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –
- NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –
- ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS –
- ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

RANDI JOHL
City Clerk