



May 11, 2018

Ms. Fran Inman
Chair of the CTC
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Downtown Grid 3.0

Dear Chair and Commissioners,

Downtown Sacramento Partnership appreciates the opportunity to share our support for the Downtown Sacramento Grid 3.0 Mobility Project.

As the state's first Property-Based Improvement District (PBID) comprised of property and business owners that encompass the 66 blocks of downtown Sacramento from 16th Street to Old Sacramento, Downtown Partnership is eager to see new investment in transportation improvements and programs that improve access to our downtown core. Downtown Grid 3.0 implementation will provide significant benefits to downtown residents and visitors from across the Sacramento region.

Downtown Grid 3.0 will allow for the transformation of our existing historic grid street network to provide safer and more convenient bicycle, pedestrian, and transit travel options within our downtown core. This project's enhancements to the roadway network will provide for a more balanced street function for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and motorists, especially in relation to adjacent land uses. Protected bikeways with barriers or separations between traffic will also make it easier for families and casual riders from across the Sacramento region to get downtown by trail and then venture into our thriving urban core for entertainment, food and shopping. By removing barriers to connectivity, Grid 3.0 will enhance our transportation network, attract new visitors and highlight the Sacramento region's leadership in transportation policy.

Downtown Grid 3.0 is a critical initiative as we continue building a vibrant urban core that will benefit the entire region. We urge your support and approval of a Local Partnership Program Competitive Grant for Grid 3.0.

Sincerely,

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Michael Ault
Executive Director
Downtown Sacramento Partnership

Cc: California Transportation Commission Members
Susan Bransen, California Transportation Commission

May 15, 2018

Fran Inman, Chair
California Transportation Commission
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RE: LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM COMPETITIVE GRANTS – Sacramento Downtown Mobility Project
(Grid 3.0)

Chair Inman and Commissioners,

The Midtown Association (MA) is writing in support of the staff recommendation to fund the Sacramento Downtown Mobility Project through the Local Partnership Program Competitive Grant Program. MA is a Property and Business Improvement District that serves 1,200 properties in the Central City of Sacramento. The strategic plan that governs MA prioritized supporting and advocating for projects that encourages visitors, employees, and residents to use alternative transportation methods. The Grid 3.0 projects being recommended do that specifically.

The Central City has an increasingly constrained transportation network. The success and growth of the city will depend on a transportation network that moves bicycles, pedestrians, transit, and vehicles efficiently. Not only will projects being funded through this grant provide relief to the transportation network it will also increase the economic vitality of the community. Specifically, the projects outlined for P and Q streets will connect a blossoming residential neighborhood to entertainment, restaurants, and places of employment through protected bicycle lanes.

Improving the mobility is crucial to furthering the vibrancy of the Central City. We urge you support staff recommendation and fund the Downtown Transportation Project. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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RE: LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM COMPETITIVE GRANTS – Sacramento Downtown Mobility Project (Grid 3.0)

Chair Inman and Commissioners,

We would like to share our appreciation of your staff's work in putting together funding recommendations for the Local Partnership Program's Competitive Grants (LPP) program. We understand the wide array of needs to improve transportation infrastructure throughout the state and appreciate the time and care the staff took to review 93 proposals.

We are very pleased to see the Sacramento Downtown Mobility Project (also known as Grid 3.0) recommended for funding through this program. Funding to assist this transformational project will serve the residents, employees, and visitors to the Central City by providing safer and more convenient bicycle, pedestrian, and transit travel options, while supporting the development of additional housing and economic development opportunities.

This community-driven investment will serve as a model for ensuring mobility for all users. We urge your support to approve funding for this important project.

Sincerely,

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