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AGENDA: 11/6/01

October 30, 2001

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A BIKE TRAIL
IN THE SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED

Dear Members of the Board:

Over the last four months, I have convened a committee that is examining the possibility of improving bike trails in the San Lorenzo Valley, including the important connection to Santa Cruz. We have received strong expressions of interest, and have been ably assisted by representatives of our Public Works Department, Transportation Commission staff, Caltrans District 5, and biking advocacy groups.

Attached is a proposed resolution authorizing the Public Works Department to apply for grant funds to conduct a feasibility study for improved bike trails in the San Lorenzo River watershed. We have identified several grant opportunities to help underwrite our analysis of the potential for bike lane and bike trail improvements. These include the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program administered by the Resources Agency and the Bicycle Transportation Accident and Transportation Enhancement Act programs administered by Caltrans. Most of these allow up to three years to complete the feasibility study.

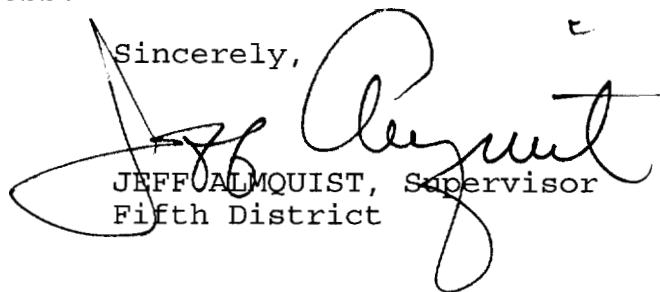
I will return the actual applications to the Board for approval when they are completed in the form in which they are submitted. However, one has a filing deadline of November 15, 2001, creating some urgency for the adoption of the resolution.

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Approving the attached resolution would allow the County to pursue external funding to establish a feasibility study for bike trails in the San Lorenzo River watershed from Santa Cruz to Boulder Creek. Accordingly, I recommend that the Board take the following actions:

1. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Public Works Department to apply for grant funds.
2. Direct Public Works to return to the Board on or before May 7, 2002, with a report on the outcome of the application process.

Sincerely,



JEFF ALMQUIST, Supervisor
Fifth District

JA:ted
Attachments

cc: Public Works Department

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor
duly seconded by Supervisor
the following resolution is adopted

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS TO
ESTABLISH A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A BIKE TRAIL
IN THE SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED

WHEREAS, a number of grant opportunities, including State funds, currently exist to conduct a feasibility study for a bike trail in the San Lorenzo River watershed; and

WHEREAS, the procedures and criteria established by funding agencies require that a resolution be adopted by the local governing body authorizing the grant application before applications for grant funds can be considered; and

WHEREAS, each such application contains assurances that the applicant must comply with, including the making of adequate provisions for operation and completion of the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California, or other granting agency, to carry out the conditions of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an application(s) for grant assistance for a feasibility study to establish or improve bike trails and/or bike lanes in the San Lorenzo River watershed.
2. Certifies that the applicant will make adequate provisions for the delivery of the intended work product and, if any funds are to be used for the installation or construction of improvements, for the operation and maintenance of the same.
3. Appoints Thomas L. Bolich, Director of Public Works, and the Department of Public Works, as administering agency applicant, to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to: applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and all such similar documents which may be necessary for the project.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR ⁰¹¹⁸
GRANT FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A BIKE TRAIL
IN THE SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County
of Santa Cruz, State of California, this _____ day of
_____, 2001, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS
NOES: SUPERVISORS
ABSENT: SUPERVISORS

TONY CAMPOS, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:



County Counsel

DISTRIBUTION: Public Works Department

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