# Bay Area Toll Authority Oversight Committee

**October 8, 2025** 

**Agenda Item 5b-25-1210** 

BATA Resolution Nos. 189 and 190: Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements – Concurrence with Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Designating City of Richmond as Implementing Agency for Point Richmond Traffic Improvements Project (\$780,000) and Designation of City of Richmond as Implementing Agency for Richmond Wellness Trail Phase II Project (\$2,500,000) and Neighborhood Complete Streets Project (\$7,500,000)

# **Subject:**

A request that the Committee approve referral of BATA Resolution Nos. 189 and No. 190 to the Authority to enable the City of Richmond to make allocation requests for the RM3 Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements Project through the following actions:

- Concur with CCTA's resolution designating the City of Richmond as the Implementing Agency for the Point Richmond Traffic Improvements Project.
- Designate the City of Richmond as Implementing Agency for the Richmond Wellness
   Trail Phase II and Neighborhood Complete Streets projects.

## **Background:**

The RM3 Expenditure Plan includes the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements project, which funds access and operational improvements in the Interstate 580 (I-580) bridge corridor. \$75 million is dedicated to projects in Contra Costa County, and BATA and CCTA are eligible project sponsors. BATA and CCTA staff have coordinated with the City of Richmond on three projects to improve local traffic operations and multimodal access in the bridge corridor.

# **Point Richmond Traffic Improvements**

Recurring peak period congestion on the westbound I-580 approach in the City of Richmond to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge contributes to additional vehicles utilizing the Point Richmond neighborhood streets to avoid the congestion on the freeway mainline, with those vehicles rejoining westbound I-580 at the Castro Street interchange. To minimize this cut-through traffic, the project will implement several mitigation strategies such as changing traffic signal timing, narrowing and restriping lanes, adding speed humps, raised crossings, and adding an all-way stop in the Point Richmond neighborhood. The project aims to improve the neighborhood traffic

operations and conditions for people walking and bicycling in the project area. In September 2025, CCTA adopted a resolution designating the City of Richmond as the implementing agency for this project and authorizing the city to request allocations totaling up to \$780,000. As the other eligible RM3 sponsor agency for the project category, BATA needs to adopt a resolution concurring with CCTA's resolution to allow the City to request allocations. The City of Richmond will use these funds for design and construction, which they anticipate completing by late 2026.

## **Richmond Wellness Trail Phase II**

When completed, the Richmond Wellness Trail Phase II project will create a continuous bikeway on Marina Way South from the Richmond BART/Amtrak Station to the San Francisco Bay Trail and Richmond Ferry Terminal. Richmond Wellness Trail Phase II connects neighborhoods south of Cutting Boulevard to the Richmond Greenway Trail, a key east-west bicycle route through the City of Richmond that provides access to the Ohlone Greenway Trail to the east and through the Point Richmond Neighborhood to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge to the west. Improvements include class IV bikeways, bus bulbs/islands, wayfinding signs, and pedestrian, vehicle, and bicycle accessibility improvements at railroad crossings. The City of Richmond is seeking to request an allocation of \$2,500,000 for construction, which is expected to be completed by mid-2027. As an eligible RM3 sponsor agency, BATA needs to adopt a resolution designating the City of Richmond as the implementing agency to allow the city to request this allocation.

## **Neighborhood Complete Streets**

The Neighborhood Complete Streets Project will support safe and comfortable pedestrian and bicycle connectivity from Richmond's Iron Triangle Neighborhood to the Richmond Ferry Terminal. The project will improve routes that provide access to the Richmond Greenway and other bike routes that connect to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. Improvements include a class IV bikeways, bus bulbs and bus stop enhancements, and new and modified signals to accommodate cyclists. The City of Richmond seeks to request an allocation of \$7,500,000 for construction, which is expected to be completed by mid-2027. As an eligible RM3 sponsor agency, BATA needs to adopt a resolution designating the City of Richmond as the implementing agency to allow the city to request this allocation.

### **Issues:**

None identified.

#### **Recommendations:**

Staff recommends that the Committee refer BATA Resolution No. 189 and 190 to the Authority for approval.

#### **Attachments:**

- BATA Resolution No. 189
  - Attachment A: RM3 Project 25: Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements, Contra Costa County Subprojects
  - Attachments B to E: Point Richmond Traffic Improvements Initial Project Report and Allocation Request Forms
- BATA Resolution No. 190
  - Attachment A: RM3 Project 25: Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access
     Improvements, Contra Costa County Subprojects
  - Attachments B to E: Richmond Wellness Trail Phase II Initial Project Report and Allocation Request Forms
  - Attachments F to I: Neighborhood Complete Streets Initial Project Report and Allocation Request Forms

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