

Association of Bay Area Governments

Executive Board

July 18, 2024

Agenda Item 6.c.

San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Subject:

Authorization to amend a funding agreement with Friends of the San Francisco Estuary to support emerging leaders in the environmental field, including women, LGBTQI people, and youth for the period from August 1, 2022 to December 31, 2027, extending the funding amount of \$300,000 to \$800,000

Background:

The San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) is one of 28 programs mandated under Section 320 of the Clean Water Act, the National Estuary Program (NEP) to implement the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan, also known as the San Francisco Estuary Blueprint. The Friends of the Estuary is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which supports the work of the San Francisco Estuary Partnership. Friends of the Estuary has received funding through the Honey Hive, a fund provided by a private donor to support justice initiatives within the Estuary Partnership centered on marginalized groups, including women, 2SLGBTQIA+ and people of color.

The Estuary Youth Council (EYC) completed its first year of programming with support from the Honey Hive Fund through the Friends of the Estuary. The EYC is an innovative and boundary-pushing collaboration between government, community-based organizations and young leaders from frontline communities. Recognizing that the Estuary will be inherited by generations yet to come, the San Francisco Estuary Partnership believes that young people should be empowered to advise how this complex system is managed and will benefit their future. In partnership with community-based organizations from across the region, the San Francisco Estuary Partnership has piloted a leadership and professional development program called the Estuary Youth Council (EYC). Based on the success of the first year, the funders wish to extend the agreement an additional two years and increase the funding by \$500,000 for a total funding amount of \$800,000. The additional funding will extend programming and support other equity initiatives within the Estuary Partnership.

Issues:

None

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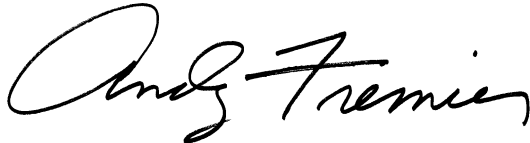
Recommended Action:

The Executive Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, or his designee, to amend a funding agreement with Friends of the San Francisco Estuary to support emerging leaders in the environmental field, including women, LGBTQI people, and youth for the period from August 1, 2022 to December 31, 2027, extending the funding amount of \$300,000 to \$800,000.

Attachments:

- A. Summary Approval

Reviewed:

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Andrew B. Fremier