

RESOLUTION NO. 62,649–N.S.

ACCEPTING A GRANT UP TO \$80,000 FROM THE CALIFORNIA STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS FOR CONSTRUCTING THE FIRST PHASE OF THE BAY TRAIL EXTENSION TO THE BERKELEY MARINA PROJECT (CMS# MDQXZ); ALLOCATING UP TO \$50,000 FROM PARKS TAX FUNDS AS A LOCAL MATCH; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS WITH THE CONSERVANCY; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO RETAIN CONSULTANTS TO PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay Conservancy Program, administered by the State Coastal Conservancy, was established in 1998 to address the natural resource and recreational goals of the nine-county Bay Area in a coordinated and comprehensive way; and

WHEREAS, the program seeks to improve public access and related facilities to and around the Bay, its surrounding hills, and the coast through completion of bay, coast and ridge trails that are part of a regional trail system; and

WHEREAS, the program also promotes projects that provide open space that is accessible to urban populations for recreational and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City was previously awarded a \$115,000 grant from the Coastal Conservancy for the preliminary design and environmental review of the entire Bay Trail Extension project; and

WHEREAS the preliminary design and environmental review phase has been completed; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2004, the Council of the City of Berkeley adopted the *Design Plan and Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Plan* for the Bay Trail Extension to the Berkeley Marina project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, the City has identified the first phase of construction as starting at the southwest corner of University Avenue and West Frontage Road, continuing in a westerly direction, south of University Avenue and ending in the vicinity of Marina Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, included in the first phase of construction is a bicycle/pedestrian path that runs behind the Sea Breeze Market, connecting the Bike Bridge with the proposed trail along University Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the first phase also includes water access improvements for windsurfers and others to the existing access point located west of Hs Lordships restaurant, per the approved plans; and

WHEREAS, local matching funds are a requirement of the grant; and

WHEREAS, matching funds have been identified and are included in the 2005 budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council hereby accepts a grant up to \$80,000 from the California State Coastal Conservancy to prepare bid documents for constructing the first phase of the Bay Trail Extension to the Berkeley Marina (CMS# MDQXZ) (Project Code 05PP67) and allocates up to \$50,000 from Parks Tax funds as a local match.

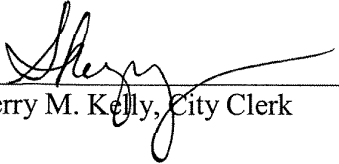
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute contracts and any amendments with the Conservancy and to issue a Request for Proposals to retain professional services to prepare the bid documents for constructing the first phase improvements.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on September 21, 2004 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Breland, Hawley, Maio, Olds, Shirek, Spring, Worthington, Wozniak and Mayor Bates.

Noes: None.

Absent: None.

Attest: 
Sherry M. Kelly, City Clerk


Tom Bates, Mayor