RESOLUTION NO. 69,473-N.S.

GRANT APPLICATION: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAY VISION ZERO PHASE I QUICK BUILD

WHEREAS, residents of South Berkeley crossing Martin Luther King Jr. Way on foot encounter traffic safety issues such as fast-moving, heavy vehicle traffic, trucks, buses, and lack of gaps in traffic to safely cross the street; and

WHEREAS, these traffic safety concerns have been documented in both the 2020 Berkeley Vision Zero Action Plan (Resolution No. 69,324-N.S.) and the Draft 2020 Berkeley Pedestrian Plan, wherein Martin Luther King Jr. Way has been identified as a high-injury street for severe and fatal traffic crashes involving pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, the Berkeley City Council approved a Budget Referral for \$100,000 on May 28, 2019 calling for street lighting and traffic safety improvements at the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Way and Stuart Street;

WHEREAS, signal modifications to eliminate conflicts between left-turning traffic and pedestrians, Rectangular Rapid-flashing Beacons, red curbs approaching crosswalks, night lighting, corner "bulbouts", and median islands are among the traffic safety improvements proposed in the Draft 2020 Berkeley Pedestrian Plan update; and

WHEREAS, California Active Transportation Program Quick Build funds can be used to make pedestrian and bicycle traffic safety improvements; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the grant funds will be placed in the City's State Capital Grants Fund (Fund 306) and the City will provide matching funds up to the amount of \$100,000, which will be subject to appropriation, starting in FY 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to submit a grant application to the California Active Transportation Program for Martin Luther King Jr. Way Vision Zero Phase I Quick Build for the amount of up to \$600,000; and accept the grants awarded, and execute any resultant agreements and amendments.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Berkeley City Council on June 30, 2020 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Bartlett, Davila, Droste, Hahn, Harrison, Kesarwani, Robinson, Wengraf,

and Arreguin.

Noes:

None.

Absent:

None.

Attest:

Mark Numaihville, City Clerk