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cc: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, via maria@tamcmonterey.org

Subject: Public records request — Del Monte Boulevard / Reservation Road project: RSTP competitive grant scope change from signal improvements to roundabout, City of Marina

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code § 7920.000 et seq.), I request copies of the following records. If any record does not exist, please state so for that item. If any record is withheld in whole or in part, please identify the record and cite the specific exemption relied upon. I request electronic copies where available, and I ask that your response identify the dates shown in the records produced for items 3 and 4 below.

Background

The City of Marina's Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements project received $1,717,500 in the Transportation Agency's Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) competitive grants program.

The August 23, 2023 competitive grants presentation scored the project at 88.1 and listed the $1,717,500 award.

The project scope as described in the Transportation Agency's own February 5, 2025 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee packet was a signal and pedestrian improvement project: relocating and shortening crosswalks, reconstructing curb ramps, constructing curb extensions and bike transition ramps, adding audible accessible cyclist and pedestrian push buttons and signal heads, and incorporating leading pedestrian interval (LPI) signal crossing timings.

The City's own capital program described the same project as a match for a grant funding application for bicycle and pedestrian improvements ($140,000 City, $1,717,500 RSTP).

By contrast, the Transportation Agency Board's August 26, 2026 minutes refer to the project as the "City of Marina's Del Monte and Reservation Road Roundabout project," and that action approved a time extension on the use of competitive funds until August 22, 2027 and an amendment of Exhibit A of the local funding agreement to include updated funding deadlines.

The City Council on October 6, 2026 authorized a call for bids for a roundabout at this intersection.

The August 26, 2026 action, as minuted, is a time extension; it does not on its face approve a change of project scope. I seek the records showing when the scope changed, who requested it, and whether the Board approved it.

Separately, the change to a roundabout is inconsistent with the City's adopted Downtown Vitalization Specific Plan.

The Specific Plan was adopted October 15, 2024 (Resolution No. 2024-116), and its Table 5-1 (plan page 56) designates the Del Monte Boulevard / Reservation Road intersection as a "Signalized intersection."

The Marina City Council has not amended the adopted Downtown Vitalization Specific Plan or Table 5-1 to change that designation to a roundabout.

Section 7.6.1 of the Specific Plan requires a formal Specific Plan Amendment, with a prior Planning Commission recommendation, for substantial changes, and the City Council's October 6, 2026 roundabout action contains no such amendment and no consistency finding.

The funded scope change therefore appears to conflict with the City's adopted Specific Plan as well as with the scope originally funded.

Records requested

1. **The original RSTP competitive grant application.**
The City of Marina's application for RSTP competitive grant funding for the Del Monte Boulevard and Reservation Road Intersection Improvements project, including the project description and scope of work as submitted, the funding request, and any attachments describing the proposed improvements.

2. **The original grant award and funding agreement.** The Transportation Agency Board action awarding or programming the $1,717,500 RSTP competitive grant for this project (resolution, minute order, or agenda item, with its date), and the executed funding agreement or Master Funding Agreement Exhibit A for this project as originally executed, showing the funded scope of work.

3. **The City's scope-change request.**
Any written request from the City of Marina to the Transportation Agency to change the scope of this project from the signal and pedestrian improvements described above to a roundabout, including letters, emails, amended applications, and any staff-to-staff correspondence

transmitting the request. Please identify the date of each such request in your response.

4. **The Board's scope-change approval, if any.** Any Transportation Agency Board action approving a change of scope for this project from signal improvements to a roundabout (resolution, minute order, agenda item, or staff report, with its date), and any amended funding agreement or amended Exhibit A reflecting the roundabout scope.

This item is distinct from the August 26, 2026 time extension; if no Board action approving a scope change exists, please state so.

5. **Staff review of the scope change.**
Any Transportation Agency staff report, memo, correspondence, or determination regarding whether the change from signal improvements to a roundabout required Board approval under the RSTP guidelines, and any staff recommendation on the change.

6. **Annual progress reports.**
The City of Marina's annual RSTP progress reports for this project, as required by the RSTP guidelines, for each year since the grant award, showing the project scope and status as reported.

Thank you for your attention to this request. Please provide your determination within ten days as required by Government Code section 7922.535.

Sincerely,

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