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Budgetary Adjustments: Vision Zero School Safety Project - Phase 2 Studies (T15255500)

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Location: District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** authorizing the City Manager or designee to transfer \$300,000 (New Measure A Traffic Control & Safety, Fund 2038) from the expenditure budget of the Vision Zero Safety Program (S15184100) to the expenditure budget of the Vision Zero School Safety Project - Phase 2 Studies (T15255500).

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Presenter: None

Attachments:

1-Description/Analysis

2-Resolution

Description/Analysis

Issue Detail: On February 16, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-0042, establishing the Vision Zero School Safety Plan as the guiding framework for safety improvements near 20 schools throughout the City. All public and charter elementary, middle and high schools were considered with the initial Vision Zero School Safety Study, with 20 chosen based on the number of collisions within a 1/4 mile of the school site and consideration of geographic equity used to ensure that the safety assessments were accessible to families and schools across Sacramento.

The Vision Zero School Safety Study was a collaborative effort to document conditions for students walking, bicycling, taking transit or being dropped off and to identify potential infrastructure and operational barriers to safe and equitable travel to school. As part of the study, walk audits were conducted at each of the 20 schools and discussions were facilitated among the participants to review observations and discuss possible improvements. Recommendations for each site are identified in the Vision Zero School Safety Plan and are categorized by readiness.

Separate from the Vision Zero School Safety Project - Phase 2 (T15255500), the Vision Zero School Safety Project (T15235600) will implement the recommended safety improvements at seven of the twenty schools and will be advertised for construction in 2026.

Three of the twenty schools have been removed from project consideration as the recommendations for those schools are being implemented through district led projects and other City projects.

This Vision Zero School Safety Project - Phase 2 will evaluate and advance recommended improvements at the following ten schools:

1. H Allen Heights Elementary School / Natomas Middle School
2. Garden Valley Elementary School
3. Northwood Elementary School
4. Mustard Seed School
5. Washington Elementary School
6. Miwok Middle School
7. Sacramento Charter High School
8. Bret Harte Elementary School
9. Capitol Collegiate Academy
10. Rio Cazadero High School / Las Flores High School

The implementation of some of the Vision Zero School Safety Plan recommendations require additional analyses to confirm feasibility. Additional funding is being requested to perform these evaluations. The studies will include analysis of traffic conditions, evaluation of traffic control device warrants in accordance with the CA-MUTCD, identification of site modifications and potential property or utility impacts, assessment of environmental considerations, preparation of construction cost estimates, and development of implementation budgets.

Policy Considerations: The actions requested herein are consistent with the City General Plan goals and key policies that accommodate and promote safe and convenient travel for all user, including increasing bicycling and walking (M-1.11); improve and install walking facilities (M-1.14); and remove barriers to walking (M-1.16); and increase bicycle safety (M-1.18).

Economic Impacts: None.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): This action involves finance and budgeting for future proposed activity. Any request for approval of the activity involving physical changes in the environment would be accompanied by review as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The action is not a project as defined by CEQA and is not subject to environmental review at this point. The action involves administrative actions which do not involve any commitment

to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4); 15060(c)(3).

Sustainability: The feasibility and traffic studies for the Vision Zero School Safety Project - Phase 2 will support future safety improvement projects and advance the City Council's sustainability priorities.. The City's Climate Action and Adaptation Plan include several implementation measures to improve pedestrian activity. The project would provide the basis for advancing several of these implementation measures including providing low-stress pedestrian connections (TR-1.2); and supports safe routes to schools (TR-1.7).

Commission/Committee Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: City Council action is required to transfer the funds necessary for feasibility and traffic studies.

Financial Considerations: The estimated cost to complete the feasibility and traffic studies for the Vision Zero School Safety Project - 2 Phase Studies is \$300,000. With the transfer of \$300,000 from the expenditure budget of the Vision Zero Safety Program (S15184100, Fund 2038), there will be sufficient funding to complete the studies.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): Not applicable.

RESOLUTION 2026-XXXX

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

June 23, 2026

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BACKGROUND

- A. On February 16, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-0042, establishing the Vision Zero School Safety Plan as the guiding plan for safety improvements near 20 schools throughout the City. All public and charter elementary, middle and high schools were considered with the initial Vision Zero School Safety Study, with 20 chosen based on the number of collisions within 1/4 mile of the school site and consideration of geographic equity used to ensure that the safety assessments were accessible to families and schools across Sacramento.
- B. The Vision Zero School Safety Study was a collaborative effort to document conditions for students walking, bicycling, taking transit or being dropped off and to identify potential infrastructure and operational barriers to safe and equitable travel to school. As part of the study, walk audits were conducted at each of the 20 schools, discussions were facilitated among the participants to review observations and discuss possible improvements. Recommendations for each site are identified in the Vision Zero School Safety Plan and are categorized by ease of implementation and implementation responsibility.
- C. The Vision Zero School Safety Project will construct recommended improvements at seven of the twenty schools included in the Vision Zero School Safety Plan. Improvements at ten of the remaining schools are being evaluated and constructed as part of The Vision Zero School Safety Project – Phase 2. Three schools have been removed from consideration with these projects due to district led projects and other City projects.
- D. In order to advance some of the recommendations for the schools included in the Vision Zero School Safety Project – Phase 2, staff will conduct an analysis of traffic conditions that includes evaluating traffic control device warrants per CA-MUTCD, identifying site modifications, property and utility impacts, environmental effects, estimating construction costs, and outlining the budget necessary to implement the recommendations.
- E. City Council action is required to transfer the funds necessary to complete the feasibility and traffic studies.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The City Manager or designee is authorized to increase the expenditure budget of the Vision Zero School Safety Project – Phase 2 Studies (T15255500) by transferring \$300,000 (NMA Traffic Control & Safety, Fund 2038) from the Vision Zero Safety Program (S15184100).