




**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD FINANCE COMMITTEE  
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

<b>DATE</b>	September 25, 2024
<b>TITLE</b>	Recommendation to the Board of Directors to Authorize Execution of a Funding Agreement with City of Pittsburg to Redistribute Redevelopment Funds in the Amount of \$582,405.96 for Completion of Pittsburg's Delta De Anza Multimodal Safety Improvements Project
<b>DIVISION</b>	Finance and Management Services
<b>FROM</b>	Katy Hornbeck, Grants Manager Deborah Spaulding, Assistant General Manager of Finance and Management Services
<b>APPROVED</b>	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

**RECOMMENDATION**

The General Manager requests that the Board Finance Committee recommend that the Board of Directors authorize execution of a funding agreement with the City of Pittsburg to redistribute to Pittsburg redevelopment funds in the Amount of \$582,405.96 for Pittsburg's completion of its Delta De Anza Multimodal Safety Improvements Project.

**BACKGROUND**

The East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) and former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pittsburg (Agency), entered into a Fiscal Agreement dated September 7, 1993, in connection with an amendment to the Los Medanos Community Development Project (the "1993 Fiscal Agreement"). Pursuant to Section 2.4 of the 1993 Fiscal Agreement, the Agency agreed to provide financial assistance to the Park District in the amount of \$500,000, the Funding Obligation, for improvements of regional facilities within Pittsburg or within the vicinity of Pittsburg. Under the terms of the 1993 Fiscal Agreement, the Agency and the Park District were required to enter into a separate agreement related to the improvements of regional facilities and funding for such improvements. However, pursuant to Section 2.4 of the 1993 Fiscal Agreement, if an agreement was not executed by the Park District and Agency by June 30, 2004, the Agency would be required to deposit the Funding Obligation in an account where it would accrue interest. Pursuant to AB 26, all California redevelopment agencies were dissolved in February 2012. A Successor Agency for the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Pittsburg would negotiate the Funding Agreement with the Park District and be responsible for paying the Park District the funds deposited in the interest-bearing account once a Funding Agreement was executed.

On September 23, 2019, the Contra Costa Countywide Oversight Board approved a Funding Agreement between the Park District and the Successor Agency. The California Department of Finance (DOF) approved the action on November 8, 2019. The Successor Agency then paid to the Park District \$582,405.96 on November 25, 2019. The Funding Agreement included three projects related to improvements of regional facilities within Pittsburg or within the vicinity of Pittsburg that were mutually determined between the Park District and City of Pittsburg staff. The use of the \$582,405.96 in

Successor Agency funds listed in the Funding Agreement were for the following trail improvements:

- Safety Lighting at four intersections on the Delta de Anza Trail
- Pavement Rehabilitation and trail maintenance on Delta De Anza Trail in Pittsburg
- Black Diamond Mines/Sky Ranch trail development and improvements

On February 18, 2020, the Park District's Board of Directors approved Resolution 2020-02-037, which authorized the acceptance of \$582,405.96 in redevelopment funds to complete the projects with the possibility of redistributing some of the funds to City of Pittsburg to complete the Safety Lighting at four intersections on the Delta De Anza Trail project.

In 2023, the City of Pittsburg requested the Park District redistribute the full balance of redevelopment funds to the City of Pittsburg which would go towards the completion by Pittsburg of its Delta De Anza Multimodal Safety Improvements Project. This project includes both safety lighting and pavement rehabilitation components. The City of Pittsburg was awarded a \$4.4 million grant to complete this project.

## **ANALYSIS**

After internal discussions with staff, it was determined beneficial to redistribute the funds to the City of Pittsburg for the Delta De Anza Multimodal Safety Improvements Project. The project scope includes crossing and trail improvements to the Delta de Anza Trail (e.g. raised crosswalks, rapid rectangular flashing beacons, high-visibility crosswalks, lighting, wayfinding signage, green bike lanes, landscaping, trail pavement, and fencing). The Park District will be invited to the project scoping meeting to determine the priority improvements for this project once the grant funds have been made available by the State. The Park District will also be invited to the design progress meetings.

The project meets the intent of the proposed Safety Lighting and Pavement projects listed in the Funding Agreement. The Sky Ranch trail development at Black Diamond Mines was determined to be infeasible after the Funding Agreement had been executed, thus funding for that project is no longer needed. Additionally, the estimated costs for completing all projects in the Funding Agreement would exceed the available \$582,405.96 and require additional Park District funding to complete.

The City of Pittsburg received confirmation from the DOF that the Successor Agency satisfied its obligation to the Park District. DOF does not need to review or approve redistribution of funds to the City of Pittsburg.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

A check for \$582,405.96 was received by Park District in November 2019 and the funds were budgeted into project #534300. If the Board of Directors approves the redistribution of funds, the City of Pittsburg will invoice the Park District for the full amount. Payment will be made with funds coming out of project #534300. There will be no other fiscal impact to the Park District in redistributing the funds to the City of Pittsburg.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None.