



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT 5
File #: 21-953

Board Meeting Date: 12/7/2021

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor David J. Canepa, District 5
Subject: Second Amendment to and Restatement of the Joint Powers Agreement Establishing the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution approving, and direct the President of the Board to execute, the Second Amendment to and the Restatement of the Joint Powers Agreement establishing the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance.

BACKGROUND:

The Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance was established in 2000 to assist the public and private sectors in the County of San Mateo with reducing traffic congestion and air pollution. The Alliance was originally created through a Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") among fifteen cities in the County.

In 2005, the County of San Mateo along with the Towns of Atherton and Hillsborough became members of the Alliance. To accomplish this, all 15 then current members together with the three new members approved and executed a First Amendment to and Restatement of the Joint Powers Agreement establishing the Alliance. The amended JPA provided for the addition of the new members and revised and made more flexible the committee structure of the Alliance.

Now, 16 years later, the City of Menlo Park and the Town of Portola Valley desire to join the Alliance. (The Town of Woodside may also consider membership.) To facilitate adding these new members, the Alliance Board of Directors at its meeting on September 16, 2021, reviewed the proposed Second Amendment to and Restatement of the Joint Powers Agreement establishing the Alliance and approved it for presentation to both current and new members for approval and execution. In addition to increasing the membership of the Alliance, this Second Amendment (a) updates and refreshes the first section of the original JPA on "Purpose" to reflect the Alliance's recently adopted Mission and Vision Statements as set forth in its Strategic Plan and (b) clarifies that the Alliance has developed a new brand and has become known to the public as "Commute.org."

DISCUSSION:

The action recommended by the Alliance's Board of Directors requires the Board of Supervisors to approve the amendments, which are reflected in Exhibit "A" to the Resolution. A letter from the Chair of the Alliance's Board of Directors is attached as Attachment 1 to this Board Memo. Adoption of the Resolution has the effect of approving the amendments and directing the President of the Board to execute the Second Amendment to and Restatement of Joint Powers Agreement Establishing the Peninsula Traffic Congestion Relief Alliance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. There is no required financial commitment to join or to continue as a member agency of the Alliance.