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Report regarding approval of a resolution providing a letter of support for the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) Emission Zero: North Base Transformation project. (*Christina Fernandez, Chief Sustainability Officer*)

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**It is recommended that the City Council approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) Emission Zero: North Base Transformation project.**

### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The City Manager and Chief Sustainability Officer met with SamTrans representatives regarding the Emission Zero: North Base Transformation Project to better understand the program scope, regulations, fleet performance, and potential impacts to the North Base fleet and maintenance yard, located off at 301 N. Access Road in South San Francisco. This project aligns with the City's Climate Action Planning goals in seeking the purchase of additional zero emission vehicles with little to no impacts to existing uses at this site.

The Emission Zero: North Base Transformation project demonstrates SamTrans' commitment to reducing the impacts of transportation on air quality and climate locally, regionally, and nationally. Additionally, the project accelerates SamTrans' compliance to transition its fleet to a 100% zero emissions fleet ahead of the state 2040 mandate. Funding from the Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program will replace 95 diesel buses with 95 hydrogen fuel cell electric buses (FCEB) and construct a new hydrogen fueling station to enable the operation of the new zero emissions fleet. As SamTrans provides public transportation services to a 455 square-mile area with a population of approximately 771,410, implementation of Emission Zero: North Base Transformation project will have a significant impact in achieving major reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and combating climate change.

Based on the presentation provided to City staff, staff is recommending Council provide a letter supporting SamTrans' efforts to pursue grant funding for Low or No Emission grants.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact to the City.

### **RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Support of SamTrans Emission Zero: North Base Transformation project aligns with the City's strategic planning goals of building and maintaining a sustainable city.

### **CONCLUSION**

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Attachments:

1. Draft letter of support
2. Presentation