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Ms. Debbie Hale Executive Director Transportation Agency for Monterey County 55 Plaza Circle, Suite B Salinas, CA 93901

RE: Request for Regional Surface Transportation Fair Share Allocation

Dear Ms. Hale,

At the regular meeting of May 19, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-52, approving the agreement between TAMC and the City for the 2020 RSTP allocation of funding. The Resolution also stated the City's intention to allocate the 2020 RSTP fair-share funding amount of \$303,807.71 to the Del Monte Boulevard Extension Project. The City asks that TAMC recognize this allocation request.

Today, State Route 1 is the most direct connection between developing South Marina and Downtown/ Central Marina. This is a result of legacy barriers remaining from the former Fort Ord that limit north-south connectivity between Central Marina and the redevelopment of the former military fort to the south. The new Del Monte Extension corridor will provide a solution to a comprehensive multimodal transportation need and address transportation challenges for planned development along this important corridor. The project will directly improve current traffic congestion issues along the interchange corridor of State Route 1 as well as provide a new corridor for bicycle and pedestrian connectivity between Central and Southern Marina. The project will integrate the adopted Fort Ord Base Reuse Plan, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, the Regional Transportation Plan, the County-wide Active Transportation Plan, the City of Marina's Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan, and the City of Marina's Downtown Vitalization Plan (currently in development).

We appreciate the consideration of this request of the TAMC Board of Directors. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at bmcminn@cityofmarina.org or (831) 884-1215.

Sincerely,

Brian McMinn, PE, PLS

Public Works Director/City Engineer

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