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# CITY OF POMONA

## COUNCIL REPORT

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February 24, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

Submitted By: Kirk Pelser, Deputy City Manager

**SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION NO. 2020-25 APPROVING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR \$200,000 IN PLANNING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE TRANSFORMATIVE CLIMATE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS**

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council;

- 1. ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-25 APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR \$200,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE TRANSFORMATIVE CLIMATE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

In 2016, the California Legislature adopted AB 2722, which authorized the creation of the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Program to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council (SGC). The SGC has administered two prior rounds of TCC grant program and are now gearing up for Round 3 to be awarded in 2020. The TCC's round 3 grant program includes a \$200,000 Planning Grant option, which is designed to encourage applicants to perform the advance work in order to make them more likely to successfully apply for future rounds of the TCC's full Implementation Grant. The City must adopt the attached resolution in order to be the lead applicant for submission of a \$200,000 Planning Grant application in Round 3.

### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE:**

A public hearing is not required for this action.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

If awarded, the grant will provide approximately \$200,000 for efforts related to preparing for the next round of the TCC's full Implementation Grant program projects and programs within a five square mile area tentatively depicted in Attachment 2.

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

None.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

Not applicable.

**BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION:**

In 2016, the California Legislature adopted AB 2722, which authorized the creation of the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Program to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council (SGC). The objective of the TCC Program is to fund coordinated greenhouse gas emission reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits. The program includes a larger Implementation Grant component and smaller Planning Grant option. Two prior rounds of funding have been awarded to a variety of applicants, most of which have been led by a municipality, such as Fresno, Los Angeles, and Ontario. The SGC has released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Round 3 of the TCC program. The SGC anticipates awarding a total of \$56.4 million equally to two winning applicants in this round (\$28.2 million each) for the larger Implantation Grant and a number smaller \$200,000 Planning Grant. For this round, Pomona is not in a position to identify sufficient programs and projects to meet the criteria for the larger Implementation Grant. However, we do believe that we can submit a compelling application for the \$200,000 Planning Grant. The application deadline is February 28, 2020.

**Prepared By:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Resolution 2020-25
- 2) Area boundary map