

Public Works & Utilities Department

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May 6, 2025

California Strategic Growth Council 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, California 95814

RE: AHSC Midpen Watsonville

City of Watsonville is pleased to support this application with MidPen Housing Corporation for the Strategic Growth Council's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Round 9 Notice of Funding Availability.

Housing Developer Name: MidPen Housing Corporation **AHD Address:** 475 Rodriguez St, Watsonville, CA 95076, USA

- **STI DESCRIPTION**: Included within the application is a request for \$11,000,000 in Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure (STI) assistance for the scope proposed below and within the attached documents. Watsonville's share of the STI request is \$4,000,000.
- **PAST EXPERIENCE:** City of Watsonville can demonstrate prior experience and provide evidence of at least two prior projects that are similar in scope and size which have been completed during the ten (10) years preceding May 28, 2025. Below is a list of these projects:
 - Project Name: Freedom Blvd Reconstruction from Alta Vista Ave to Green Valley Rd
 - Completion Date: June 1, 2024
 - Scope Description: Reconstruct pavement, remove & replace curb ramps, install signal
 - Project Name: Lincoln Street Safety Project
 - Completion Date: November 1, 2023
 - Scope Description: Install sidewalk, bulbouts, crosswalks, lighting and landscaping
- **SITE CONTROL:** Where applicable, City of Watsonville has verified ownership of the property on which proposed STI Improvements will be constructed and thus has sufficient "site control" as that term is defined in the AHSC Program Guidelines.
- **ENVIRONMENTAL**: All environmental clearances will be provided prior to disbursement of funds.
- **LOCAL APPROVALS**: The City of Watsonville has verified that the Sustainable Transit Infrastructure (STI) Capital Projects proposed within the attachments to this letter are consistent with all applicable local rules, regulations, codes, policies, and plans enforced or implemented by this agency. These projects will be operational no later than the year 2030.

If you have any questions, please contact Murray Fontes at 831-768-3117 or murray.fontes@watsonville.gov

Very truly yours,

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Murray Fontes, Assistant Public Works & Utilities Director

Attachment A -- GHG Bike-Pedestrian Component Table & Local Bus Improvements

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City of Watsonville has verified the following AHSC Benefits Calculator Tool inputs and attachments for Midpen Watsonville.

Bike and Pedestrian Infrastructure

Project Name	Project Type	Year 1 (Yr1)	One- Way Length (miles)	Annual Days of Use of Facility	Average Two- Way Daily Traffic on Road Parallel to Facility (vehicle trips per day)	University Town with Population < 250,000?	Number of Key Destinat ions within 1/4 mile	Number of Key Destinat ions within ½ mile	Existing Bikeway Class	New Bikeway Class
Brennan St from Freedom to West Lake	Bikelane	Yr1	0.35	365	7,274	No University Yes <250,000	14	17	None	Class III
Union St from East Beach to Riverside	Bikelane	Yr1	0.42	365	4,568	No University Yes <250,000	16	17	None	Class III
Ford St from Rodriguez St to Main St	Bikelane	Yr1	0.21	365	2,514	No University Yes <250,000	5	15	None	Class III
East 5th St from Main St to Brennan St	Bikelane	Yr1	0.10	365	2,000 (estimate)	No University Yes <250,000	10	17	None	Class III

West 5th St from Rodriguez St to Main St	Bikelane	Yr1	0.17	365	1,500 (estimate)	No University Yes <250,000	8	16	None	Class III
Maple St from Main St to Union St	Bikelane	Yr1	0.07	365	1,385	No University Yes <250,000	12	17	None	Class III
2 nd St from Rodriguez St to Main St	Bikelane	Yr1	0.09	365	3,247	No University Yes <250,000	11	16	None	Class III