

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: 07/22/13		Item Number: <u>C-3</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: (1) Approval of the Final Plans and Specifications and (2) Authorization to Publish a Notice Inviting Bids for the Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029).			
Contact Person/Dept.: Lee Torres/PW		Phone Number: (310) 253-5623	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☐ Date: _____			
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Agenda and Meetings – City Council (07/16/13)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (07/10/13)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (07/15/13)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (07/16/13)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (07/16/13)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council: 1. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029); and 2. Authorize the publication of a notice inviting bids for the Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029). <u>BACKGROUND</u> On December 13, 2010, the City Council approved a State Transportation Improvement Program Letter of Agreement with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) as part of the 2007 LACMTA Call for Projects to receive grants funds for the Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029). In October 2012, Staff was informed that the 35% matching funds programmed with Tax Exempt Bond Funds of the former Culver City Redevelopment Agency (Former CCRA) was not available. Staff requested for a 9-month extension from the California Transportation Commission which extension was granted in December, 2012. The federal funds (\$634,000) allocated for this project are now scheduled to lapse on September 30, 2013. It was estimated by staff that the State would make			

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the final decision on whether the Bond Funds could be available for this project within the 9-month extension. The State has still not given a final ruling and is not expected to do so until the end of the year (after the time currently set for the federal fund allocation to lapse).

Because Former CCRA funds continue to be unavailable and the federal funds are subject to lapse, staff recommends that the City use Fiscal Year 2013/2014 funds currently appropriated for street resurfacing to meet the local match requirements.

DISCUSSION:

The scope of work consists of constructing pedestrian safety improvements at eight (8) intersections with high transit and pedestrian activities:

- 1) Sepulveda Boulevard and Washington Boulevard
- 2) Sepulveda Boulevard and Sawtelle Boulevard
- 3) Washington Boulevard and Robertson Boulevard/Higuera Street
- 4) Washington Boulevard and Landmark Avenue
- 5) Washington Boulevard/Washington Place/Zanja Street
- 6) Washington Boulevard and Inglewood Boulevard
- 7) Washington Boulevard and Centinela Avenue
- 8) Washington Boulevard and National Boulevard

The improvements include new ADA curb ramps with truncated domes, new crosswalk and pavement markings, ADA compliant pedestrian push buttons, vehicle video detection sensors, bicycle detection loops, and reconstruction of damaged concrete pavements at the intersections.

As a federally funded project, Caltrans's Local Assistance Office's must provide its authorization prior to advertisement for bid and construction. Should the City Council approve this action this evening, staff will immediately advertise the project for construction bids once the Authorization to Proceed from Caltrans is received.

It is estimated that the award of the construction contract will occur in September 2013 (meeting the federal funds deadline) with construction slated to begin in November and expected to be completed by early 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated Project Expenses	
Construction	\$920,000
Construction Inspection Services	\$50,000
Geotechnical Construction Services (Observation & Testing)	\$15,000

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Total Estimated Project Expenses	\$985,000
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Available Funds	
Regional Surface Transportation Program Local Grant	\$634,000
Transfer of funds from P-863 Street Resurfacing [#]	\$351,000
Available Funds	\$985,000

There are approximately \$2,000,000 available for street resurfacing in the current fiscal year budget. The \$351,000 transfer represents 17.5% of the budget. Staff will use General Funds appropriated as part of the total of \$2,000,000 for the required match as other funding sources included in the total can only be used for street resurfacing.

Should the City Council approve this action this evening, the request for approval of the appropriation and transfer of funds will occur at the time of award of the construction contract.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Location Maps

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve the plans and specifications for Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029); and
2. Authorize the publication of a notice inviting bids for the Pedestrian Improvement for Intersections with Bus Stops Project, P-950, Federal Project No. RPSTPLE 5240 (029).