



City of Culver City

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Staff Report Details (With Text)

File #: 19-60 **Version:** 1 **Name:** Adoption of a Resolution of Intention to Vacate Air Rights over a Portion of La Cienega Boulevard,
Type: Minute Order **Status:** Consent Agenda
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On agenda: 9/24/2018 **Final action:**
Title: CC- (1) Adoption of a Resolution of Intention to Vacate Air Rights over a Portion of La Cienega Boulevard, for the Purpose of a New Pedestrian Bridge for the Park to Playa Trail Project, and Setting a Public Hearing date of November 12, 2018, Pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9 of the Streets and Highways Code; and (2) Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding among the City of Culver City, the County of Los Angeles, and the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority Regarding the Construction and Maintenance of the Trail and Pedestrian Bridge.

Sponsors:

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Attachments: 1. ATT- La Cienega Bridge Vicinity Map.pdf, 2. 2018-09-24_ATT 2_Resolution of Intention to Vacate Air Rights.pdf

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Meeting Date: September 24, 2018

Contact Person/Dept: Mate Gaspar/Public Works Department

Phone Number: 310-253-5602

Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒

General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒

Public Hearing: ☐ **Action Item:** ☐ **Attachments:** ☒

Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒ **Date:**

Public Notification: (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas - City Council (09/19/18);

Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson, Public Works Director/City Engineer (09/12/18)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council (1) adopt a Resolution of Intention to Vacate Air Rights over a Portion of La Cienega Boulevard, for the purpose of a new Pedestrian Bridge for the Park to Playa Trail Project, and Setting a Public Hearing date of November 12, 2018, pursuant to Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9 of the Streets and Highways Code; and (2) approve a Memorandum of Understanding among the City of Culver City, the County of Los Angeles, and the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) regarding the construction and maintenance of the Trail and Pedestrian Bridge.

BACKGROUND:

The Park to Playa Trail is a planned 13-mile regional trail that will connect a network of trails, parks, and open spaces from the Baldwin Hills Parklands to the Pacific Ocean.

The proposed project will include the installation of a new pedestrian and wildlife bridge across La Cienega Boulevard, 600 feet south of Wrightcrest Drive. The new bridge will require the relocation of utility lines from overhead to underground. Preliminarily the proposed Pedestrian Bridge will be steel truss, 8 foot by 12 foot wide box. It will be single span (no columns) across La Cienega Boulevard. It will be about 23 feet above La Cienega Boulevard. Another span of the Bridge will continue to the west of La Cienega Boulevard and connect to an existing new trail that was recently opened. Also the proposed Bridge will connect to existing trails in Kenneth Hahn State Park. The final design has not yet been completed and some of the aforementioned information may change.

Other trail segments are in the process of being delivered by a combination of the County Department of Parks and Recreation and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority. The project spans multiple jurisdictions, including the City of Culver City, City of Los Angeles, and State Parks land.

DISCUSSION:

The County has requested that Culver City and the City of Los Angeles vacate air rights over the respective portions of La Cienega Boulevard, for the purpose of construction of the new pedestrian bridge.

The County has agreed to accept air rights 50 feet to the north and 50 feet to the south of the centerline of the proposed bridge, and starting 17 feet about the surface of La Cienega Boulevard, only within the southbound portion of La Cienega Right-of-Way (Culver City portion).

Per the State of California Chapter 3, Part 3, Division 9 of the Streets and Highways Code, notice of the hearing on the proposed vacation shall be published for at least two successive weeks prior to the hearing in a newspaper published and circulated in the local agency's jurisdiction. Also, at least two weeks before the date of the public hearing, Staff must post conspicuously notices of vacation along the line of area proposed to be vacated. The notices must be posted not more than 300 feet apart, but at least three notices must be posted.

Also Staff proposes that the City Council also approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the

County and Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) to cooperatively work together to address matters related to the proposed project for the mutual benefit of the community.

On July 3, 2018, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors awarded a design-build contract to Griffith Company for a contract sum of \$6,788,000 and a maximum contract sum of \$8,028,000, to construct this new Pedestrian Bridge. The project is expected to begin design and construction in January 2019 and is slated to be completed by December 2020.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The cost to publish the Resolution of notice of the public hearing for two successive weeks in Culver City News is about \$600. The cost will be paid from account number 10160150.612100, Engineering Services.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Vicinity Map
2. Proposed Resolution

MOTION

That the City Council:

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2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding among the City of Culver City, the County of Los Angeles, and the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) regarding the construction and maintenance of the Trail and Pedestrian Bridge; and
3. Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents; and
4. Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City.