



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: April 15, 2021

From: Randy Breault, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Subject: Environmental Technical Studies for Crocker Trail Resurfacing

Community Goal/Result

Safe Community, Ecological Sustainability

Purpose

Ensure that technical studies can be completed in accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements for the Crocker Trail Commuter Connectivity Upgrades Project.

Recommendation

Approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$65,000 from the General Fund for required technical studies for the Crocker Trail resurfacing.

Background

In 2017, the City of Brisbane was awarded federal funds as part of MTC's One Bay Area Grant 2 Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvement Program (OBAG 2 BPIP) for a resurfacing of the Crocker Trail path. The project cost is to be covered by \$885,300 as allocated by the grant program and an 11.47% match in the amount of \$114,700 by the City, and the grant funds are scheduled to be obligated during the 2021/2022 federal fiscal year, with construction occurring in the summer of 2022. Staff had originally estimated the project cost based on the use of stabilized decomposed granite surfacing material, but later decided to utilize crusher fines, which is an equally appropriate and less costly material recommended by the City's Crocker Trail Master Plan consultant, RRM Design, in 2020. This design change to a less costly material potentially makes a portion of the grant funds available for the project scope to include additional improvements such as lighting, wayfinding signage, furniture, and street crossing enhancements.

Discussion

Caltrans, as the agency responsible for administering the federal funds, conducted a Field Review with City staff in early 2021, at which they reviewed project data and preliminary environmental information. Caltrans determined that because of the trail's former use as a railroad spur, and because of the recently added minor excavation work necessary for installation of the recently proposed features such as lighting and amenities, an environmental site assessment will be required to evaluate the potential for subsurface hazardous materials to be present. Additionally, due to accounts of historical human settlement in the Crocker Park

area, an archaeological survey will be required as well. Completion of these studies as part of NEPA procedures is necessary to obtain environmental clearance and to be able to proceed with project design in a timely manner. Therefore, staff is requesting a supplemental appropriation to fund the two necessary technical studies.

Fiscal Impact

Consultant fees needed from the General Fund for the studies are approximately \$65,000, to be placed into project account 400-9018-000-52030.

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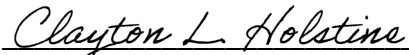
The ability to complete the technical studies as required so that project design and subsequent authorization to start construction can be achieved.



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