



STAFF REPORT
7/14/2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Andrew Simmons, P.E., City Engineer

SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to the Reimbursement Agreement with Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) in an amount of \$103,118 for the construction of the Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening + Connectivity Project, City Project ST-123.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Reimbursement Agreement with Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) in an amount of \$103,118 for the construction of the Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening + Connectivity Project, City Project ST-123. Per the amended Reimbursement Agreement, CVG shall cover 75% of the eligible cost (\$77,338) and the City shall cover 25% of the cost (\$25,780).

BACKGROUND:

On November 2, 2018, the City of Coachella received a \$3.19 million grant from the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) for the Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening + Connectivity Project. The City's grant was the largest distributed by the CNRA's Urban Greening Program, its purpose is to enhance and create sustainable green spaces and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This project will create a pleasant, safe, artful and walkable roadway in the Pueblo Viejo Downtown District. The route will connect the key assets and activity centers in the community including the transportation center, schools, parks, library, post office, senior center, restaurants and more.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

On November 18, 2020 City Council approved to authorize a reimbursement agreement by and between the City of Coachella and Coachella Valley Association of Governments for a total of \$1,453,820 regional funds toward the construction of transportation corridor elements for Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening and Connectivity Project.

On April 14, 2021 City Council approved change order #10 to construct a signalized intersection at Grapefruit Blvd and 6th Street. Amendment No. 1 is focused on providing additional funding for traffic signal improvements at the intersection of Grapefruit Blvd and 6th Street. This Amendment

is in response to the request made by the City on June 1, 2021. CVAG Executive Committee approved the Amendment on June 28, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost for the traffic signal installation including design and construction is \$353,118, which is partially funded by the Grants Fund (152) in the amount of \$250,000. In the change order approved on April 14, 2021 the total unfunded amount was allocated to Street and Transportation DIF in an amount of \$103,118. The Amendment would split that cost 75% towards CVAG (\$77,338) and 25% towards the City (\$25,780).

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter to CVAG
Amendment No. 1 to the Reimbursement Agreement