



STAFF REPORT
9/14/2022

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

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

SUBJECT: Authorization to file a Notice of Completion for City Project ST-123, Grapefruit Boulevard Urban Greening and Connectivity Project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the City Project ST-123 Grapefruit Boulevard Urban Greening and Connectivity Project as complete and direct the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion attached hereto with the County of Riverside.

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 created a pleasant, safe, artful and walkable roadway in the Pueblo Viejo Downtown District. The route connected the key assets and activity centers in the community including the transportation center, schools, parks, library, post office, senior center, restaurants and more.

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 \$1,376,482 (75%) regional funds and \$458,827 (25%) local funds toward the construction of transportation corridor elements for Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening and Connectivity Project. On July 14, 2021 City Council approved to authorize Amendment No.1 to the Reimbursement agreement for a total of \$77,338 (75%) regional funds and \$25,780 (25%) local funds.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The Grapefruit Boulevard Urban Greening and Connectivity Project widened Grapefruit Boulevard from Leoco Lane to 9th Street from 2 to 4 lanes, installed a traffic signal at 6th Street and included 23 ADA access ramp improvements. The project installed approximately 5,000 linear feet of sidewalk, 3,580 linear feet of bicycle pathways, and 14 safety street lights with four shaded pedestrian facility rest stops that include benches, drinking fountains, bike racks, and bike repair stations. In addition, over 1.25 miles of Bioswales for drainage were installed with 288 and 1,100 drought tolerant and carbon sequestering trees and plants, respectively.

City Staff has inspected the Project and found the improvements to be in accordance with the plans, specifications, and applicable standards. Staff recommends the acceptance of this project and that the City Council authorizes the filing of a Notice of Completion. Upon acceptance by City Council, the Project will enter a one-year warranty period as prescribed by the project contract agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<i>APPROVED FUNDING SOURCE:</i>	<i>CNRA</i>	<i>CVAG</i>	<i>IIG</i>	<i>CITY</i>
<i>Fund 127</i>				\$484,607
<i>Fund 129</i>				\$318,915
<i>Fund 152</i>	\$3,189,152	\$1,453,820	\$250,000	
<i>Fund 178</i>				\$55,698
<i>Total Appropriated Funds: \$5,752,192</i>				

The Project was executed using CNRA, CVAG, and IIG grant funds and General City Funds 127, 129 and 178 with an appropriation total in an amount of \$5,752,192 for all agreements and change orders. The total project was constructed under budget for a total amount of \$5,475,695.

<i>FINAL FUNDING SOURCE:</i>	<i>CNRA</i>	<i>CVAG</i>	<i>IIG</i>	<i>CITY</i>
<i>Fund 127</i>				\$373,709
<i>Fund 129</i>				\$318,915
<i>Fund 152</i>	\$3,189,152	\$1,288,221	\$250,000	
<i>Fund 178</i>				\$55,698
<i>Total Expended Funds: \$5,475,695</i>				

After consideration for CNRA, IIG and required matching funds, the reimbursable balance with CVAG is \$1,717,628 with a 75% (\$1,288,221) CVAG share and 25% (\$429,407) City share. City share shall include \$373,709 from Fund 127 and \$55,698 from Fund 178. No fiscal impact to the 2022/23 CIP Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ST-123 Notice of Completion