



## **CITY OF ORLAND STAFF REPORT**

### **MEETING DATE: October 3, 2023**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Pete Carr, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** **Proposal for Streetscape Phase 1 (Discussion/Action)**

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Staff will present a proposal to move forward with implementation of the Streetscape Master Plan.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The City in 2017/2018 developed and adopted the Walker Street -- Streetscape Master Plan, envisioning improvements to Walker Street between Second and Sixth Streets in pedestrian facilities, drainage, and aesthetics. Funding for implementation of this multi-million-dollar project is only just beginning to materialize in a Caltrans-driven SR32 improvement project slated for construction 2025-27. The pending federal MPDG funding would enhance and expand the project. "Start streetscapes" is a specified City project objective for this fiscal year.

City Council in its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget set aside \$200,000 for streetscapes with the understanding that the City could add pedestrian-friendly improvements on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets now (Phase 1) with the master plan improvements to be constructed later (Phase 2) as part of the Caltrans project. The phases would have consistent streetlamps and street furnishings. Phase 2 would also include landscaping (trees/planters) on Walker Street, whereas 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> already have these features.

Having met with interested business owners several times over the past year, Staff has been exploring options consistent with the master plan and the current budget. These concepts were presented and refined at the September 12<sup>th</sup> Orland Economic Development Commission (EDC) meeting. There remain many potential options available for decorative street features.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

Council on September 19 discussed the initial proposal concepts, heard input from the public, and provided direction to City Staff to bring this back for action in two weeks. Council also suggested some optional resources for procurement of the features.

Attachments (2):

1. Proposal for Streetscapes Phase 1 with narrative, samples, and budget estimate
2. Diagram illustrating proposed approximate placement of new streetlamps.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve proposal for Streetscapes Phase 1.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION:** Up to \$200,000 in previously budgeted ARPA funds, no General Funds impacted for the construction project.