

June 11, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$5,036,466, offset by \$2,827,170 of State Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) HSIPL-5108(178) and \$2,209,296 Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) grant revenues from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and,

Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department by \$5,036,466, offset by a transfer of \$2,827,170 HSIP and \$2,209,296 CRRSAA funds from the Capital Grant Fund, a fund within the Capital Projects Fund Group. (Districts 1, 2, 3, 6)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department for the Construction Phase of the Anaheim Street Corridor Improvement project, Plans and Specifications No. R-7174 (Project). This action will help to ensure the project grant maintains an active status with Caltrans, which will allow the City to charge expenditures and bill the grant while the design phase is finalized.

On November 21, 2016 in the HSIP Cycle 8 Program Release, the California Transportation Commission awarded the City of Long Beach (City) funding for the Project, which will include construction of traffic signal upgrades, controlled-access medians for vehicles, pedestrian refuges, striping, and appurtenant work to improve roadway safety.

On December 23, 2019, the City Manager executed a Master Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) under the authority of Resolution No. RES-07-0097, approved by City Council on July 10, 2007, formalizing the terms and conditions of the administration of State and federal projects. The Master Agreement specified each agency's role regarding the funding.

As such, Program Supplement #F127 (07-5108F15) - (Adv Project ID 0718000126) provided \$166,500 of federal funds with a local match requirement of \$200,000. These fundings contributed to the first of two phases of the project, also known as the Preliminary Engineering phase.

On January 10, 2023, the Project received funding authorization to proceed with

construction. As such, an Amendment Modification Summary - (E-76) provided \$5,036,466 of federal funds, of which \$2,827,170 is funded through HSIP and \$2,209,296 is funded through CRRSAA, with a local match requirement of \$403,534.

This Project is led by the Public Works Department. Due to federal regulation changes, as well as in compliance with the California Complete Streets Act (Assembly Bill 1358) and the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Anaheim Street Corridor Improvement project re-entered design phase to comply with appropriate laws and changing federal standards for federally funded projects. As a result, Public Works Department is combining previously fragmented projects into one unified product which will create a more complete, accessible, and safe corridor.

Additionally, staff is in the process of revalidating federal documents for HSIPL-5108(178) to accept \$7,000,000 of federally earmarked funds from Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending program (CPFCDs). If acceptable by the program administrators, CPFCDs funds will go towards further funding infrastructure needs including pavement rehabilitation, slurry seal, concrete repairs, and ADA improvements on Anaheim Street from Los Angeles River to Pacific Coast Highway. Future council actions will be requested to adopt Plans and Specification as well as increase appropriations accordingly.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Vanessa S. Ibarra on May 23, 2024, and by Budget Management Officer Nader Kaamouch on May 24, 2024.

SUSTAINABILITY

The Project proposes to improve overall mobility, pedestrian accessibility, and safety along the 4.1-mile corridor in Central Long Beach.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on June 11, 2024, to ensure the project maintains an active status with Caltrans by allowing for the City to charge expenditures related to the Project and satisfy required expenditure timelines.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of this project is currently forecasted at \$26,840,304, which includes design, an estimated construction cost, construction management, labor compliance, and project oversight. The Project is supported by Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund, Measure A, Measure A Bond, Measure M, Measure R, Proposition A, Proposition C, RMRA (SB-1), and Traffic Impact Fees, which are currently appropriated in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Department of Public Works. HSIP and CRRSAA funding are currently being requested to be appropriated in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department. Additionally, the Department anticipates additional grant funding from federally earmark funds from CPFCDs, which will fully fund the project. Staff will return to the City Council at a future date for approval of appropriation of these funds. If funding is not secured, reallocations of Measure R and Proposition C funding will be explored to ensure the project is fully funded.

An appropriation increase in the amount of \$10,072,932 is requested in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department. Of this amount, \$2,827,170 will be offset with HSIP and \$2,209,296 will be offset with CRRSAA grant revenues from Caltrans. The remaining \$5,036,466 appropriation request is a technical appropriation to allow for the transfer of Caltrans grant funds from the Capital Projects Fund Group. The HSIP grant has a match of \$314,130 and the CRRSAA grant has a match of \$89,404, which are funded by Measure A and is currently appropriated in the Capital Projects Fund Group in the Public Works Department.

This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. This action has no impact on local jobs.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director
Public Works

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

ATTACHMENT: A – VICINITY MAP