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Ventura, California 93009

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**Subject: Approval of the Plans and Specifications for the Sespe Street & Pasadena Avenue Bike Lanes Project; Finding that Project is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; Authorization for the Director of Public Works Agency or His Designee to, if Necessary, Issue Addenda to Plans and Specifications; Waiver of Any Minor Bid Irregularities; Authorization for the Director of Public Works Agency to Award Contract to, and Execute Contract With, the Lowest Responsive, Responsible Bidder, Provided the Low Bid Does Not Exceed the Engineer's Estimate of \$600,000 by More Than 20%; Project Specification No. RD19-08, Project No. 50548; Supervisorial District No. 3.**

**Recommendations:**

1. Approve the plans and specifications for the Sespe Street & Pasadena Avenue Bike Lanes Project, Specification No. RD19-08, Project No. 50548;
2. Find that the Sespe Street & Pasadena Avenue Bike Lanes Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c);
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works Agency or his designee to, if necessary, issue addenda which clarify or correct ambiguities or errors in the plans and specifications;
4. Waive any minor bid irregularities;
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works Agency to award a contract to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, provided the low bid does not exceed the Engineer's estimate of \$600,000 by more than 20%, and to execute a contract with that bidder.



**Fiscal/Mandates Impact:**

Mandatory: No [ X ] Yes [ ] Cite Authority:  
Source of Funding: Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ),  
TDA Article 3 and Road Fund  
Funding Match Required: 11.47% of eligible costs (Road Fund)  
Impact on Other Department(s): None

Summary of Revenue and Total Costs	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
Revenue:	\$ 501,920	\$ 0
Costs:		
Direct	\$ 731,404	\$ 0
Indirect - Agency/Department	\$ 28,501	\$ 0
Indirect - CAP	\$ 100	\$ 0
Total Costs	\$ 760,005	\$ 0
Net Road Fund Costs Including Indirects	\$ 258,085	\$ 0
Recovered Indirect Cost (Dept. and County CAP)	\$ 0	\$ 0

Current FY 2019-20 Budget Projection for Road Fund - Unit 4083				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$6,650,000	\$6,650,000	\$6,650,000	\$0
Revenue	\$5,633,000	\$5,633,000	\$5,633,000	\$0
Net Cost	\$1,017,000	\$1,017,000	\$1,017,000	\$0

Sufficient revenue and appropriations are available in the FY 2019-20 Road Fund Adopted Budget.

**Discussion:**

This project will widen the roadway to create Class II bike lanes in the Bardsdale area in unincorporated Ventura County on Sespe Street from South Mountain Road to Pasadena Avenue and on Pasadena Avenue from Sespe Street to Chambersburg Road (Highway 23) as shown on Exhibits 1 (Vicinity Map) and 2 (Location Map). The project consists of pavement widening to create a Class II bike lane along the west side of Sespe Street. In order to avoid unusual right-of-way difficulties, the decision was made to also place a Class III bike lane on the east side of Sespe Street so that all improvements occur within existing County road right-of-way. In addition, Class III bike lanes will be placed on existing pavement on both sides of Pasadena Avenue east of Sespe Street to Highway 23.

Bids for the project will be opened on July 23, 2019. We are requesting that your Board authorize the director of the Public Works Agency to award the contract to expedite the schedule. This will allow the contractor to place slurry seal under warm weather conditions



and achieve higher quality results. A copy of the abstract of bids received will be checked and attached to the Director's award letter, a copy of which will be forwarded to the Clerk of the Board.

The project is categorically exempt from CEQA under the California Code of Regulations, as this is a Class 1 project that will result in no or only negligible expanded use of the roadway. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15301, subd. (c) [CEQA Guidelines].) In fact, CEQA Guidelines section 15301(c) was amended in 2018 to specifically exempt projects, such as this, that widen or otherwise modify roadways to add bicycle lanes. A Notice of Exemption will be filed after your Board's action.

The estimated total project costs are as follows:

Preliminary Engineering	\$ 139,600*
Construction Contract	\$ 600,000
Construction Engineering, Materials Testing, etc.	\$ 90,000
Right-of-Way	\$ 10,135*
Contingencies	\$ 60,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 899,735</b>

\*\$129,595 in Preliminary Engineering and \$10,135 in Right-of-Way were incurred in previous fiscal years.

This letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel.

If you have questions, please call the undersigned at (805) 654-2077.



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Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map  
Exhibit 2 – Location Map  
Exhibit 3 – Plans and Specifications

