



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Flood Control
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: October 17, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010
Director(s)
Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

SUBJECT: Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project, Reaches 3 & 4, First Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Directors:

- a) Authorize the Public Works Director to advertise and receive bids for the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project Reach 3 and the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project Reach 4;
- b) Determine that the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Projects Reaches 3 & 4 shall be carried out and determine that it is for the benefit of one zone hereinafter referred to as a participating zone; and
- c) Find that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines section 15162, no substantial changes are proposed, there are no substantial changes in circumstances and no new information of substantial importance has come to light regarding environmental effects of the project or feasibility of mitigation measures and, therefore this action is within the scope of the project covered by the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project as well as the Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations approved and adopted by the Board on May 10, 2011, and therefore, no subsequent environmental document is required. The Findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations, Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement, and associated information can be

found at: <http://santabarbara.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=874496&GUID=D14C4C9B-DEDF-48CB-AB30-D52A228FB5A2>

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to obtain authority to advertise and receive bids for the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Projects Reaches 3 & 4.

The City of Santa Barbara (City) and the Flood Control District (District) had focused past efforts on implementation of the open channel below Yanonali Street and the bypass culvert elements of the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project. With the exception of the uppermost segment of the bypass culvert, Reach 2B-Phase 2, that work is now complete. Reach 3, between US 101 and Gutierrez Street, and Reach 4, between Gutierrez Street and Haley Street, (see Exhibit A) are currently in detailed design under a single engineering design contract and represent the beginning of the open channel improvements upstream of the bypass culvert. It is anticipated that Reach 3 will be constructed in 2018, concurrently with Reach 2B-Phase 2, and that Reach 4 will follow in 2019.

Right-of-way acquisitions are required for Reaches 2B-2, 3, and 4. Those actions will be coming to the Board at a future date.

Background:

The Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project is a federal, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project and has been under development since the 1960s. The City and the District, acting as local sponsors for the federal project, worked with the community in the 1990s to develop the current project that addresses flood control concerns and environmental issues.

In 2001, the City certified the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) and approved the project for Lower Mission Creek as did the U.S Army Corps of Engineers (subsequent to the City's approval). Since that time, federal funding for construction has not come forward and the City and the District have been working on finding opportunities to construct elements of the project as funding options arise. To date, the following project elements have been completed, or will be completed in the near future:

Flood Control District Work

Union Pacific Railroad Culvert work
Reach 1A-1
Reach 1A-2
Reach 1B
Reach 2A
Reach 2B-1

City Work

Haley – De La Vina Bridge
Ortega Street Bridge
Cota Street Bridge
Mason Street Bridge

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative:

Costs for design work for both projects and construction of Reach 3 are included in the adopted FY 2017-18 budget under the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-325 in the budget book. No General Fund monies will be utilized by this project.

To preserve the competitive bidding process for public contracts, the construction funding will be disclosed after bids are opened and the construction contract is awarded.

This project is also included in the County's Capital Improvement Program on page D-152.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District office: Attn: Christina Lopez.

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Exhibit A

