



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: May 18, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010
Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064
SUBJECT: Contract Amendment to Cooperative Agreement for Measure A Safe Routes to School and Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects, First, Second and Third Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG for the Measure A South Coast Safe Routes to School, Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Cycle 4. The First Amendment changes the implementing agency from COAST to SBBIKE for the County-sponsored Safe Routes to Schools project; and
- b) Find that the proposed action does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 (b)(4), for actions involving government funding mechanisms and other fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

On June 20, 2019, the County of Santa Barbara and SBCAG entered into a Cooperative Agreement to provide funding from the Measure A Cycle 4 South Coast Safe Routes to School, Bicycle and Pedestrian Program. The Project Cooperative Agreement with the County of Santa Barbara states that any change in implementing agency shall be approved by the SBCAG Board. The SBCAG Board approved the First Amendment (Attachment A) on April 15, 2021. Therefore, approval is now required by the Board of Supervisors. No other changes to the project scope or programming are proposed with the Amendment.

The Amendment is required because COAST and SBBIKE are in the process of undergoing a merger. As explained in Attachment B, COAST will legally dissolve and transfer all assets, programs, and staff to SBBIKE. All Safe Routes to School programming and staff will remain the same. The merger and the

proposed Amendment will ensure SBBIKE can continue to provide bicycle and pedestrian safety education to schools in the south coast. A brief description of the Safe Routes to School program is provided below for reference:

Safe Routes to School (SBBIKE, formerly COAST) – This program will be implemented at schools throughout the South Coast by SBBIKE. The program includes activities such as helmet fittings, school assemblies, hazard assessment, and incentive programs to help children, schools and parents in the community promote bicycling and walking to school. This application was co-sponsored by the Cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta. The County will serve as the contract administrator for the project. During COVID-19 the program continued as on-line classes and workshops, “Biking is the new PE” monthly activities, Walk & Roll school routes painted on streets throughout south county, and in-lieu-of school programs with various organizations and clubs.

Background:

SBCAG administers the South Coast Measure A Bicycle & Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School Programs. The grant program funds a variety of projects to fill gaps in the regional bicycle/pedestrian network, rehabilitate important infrastructure on the existing network, facilitate bicycle usage, and increase the safety of children walking and riding bikes to school.

The Measure A Investment Plan requires grant award recipients (Sponsors) to execute a Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG (Authority), and all funding recommendations are contingent on an executed agreement. The Board originally authorized the Cycle 4 South Coast Cooperative Agreement on July 16, 2019.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

Special Instructions:

Please provide a certified stamped Minute Order, and copies of the executed First Agreement to Gail Ocheltree, Public Works, Transportation Division, 123 E. Anapamu St., ext. 83094

Attachments:

Attachment A: First Amendment to the Measure A Cooperative Agreement

Attachment B: COAST letter, dated March 15, 2021

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