

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101

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Department Name: Public Works

Department No.: 054

For Agenda Of: August 14, 2007
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Interim Director, 568-3010

Director(s)

Contact Info: Dace Morgan, Interim Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064

Michael B. Emmons, County Surveyor, 568-3020

SUBJECT: Purisima Road Improvements Project (Public Works Project No. 862272)

4th Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

Authorize the Chair of the Board to:

- (a) Adopt the attached Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the purchase of excess land from the State of California, Department of Transportation.
- (b) Approve and execute the attached "Option Agreement for Purchase of Excess Land" between the County of Santa Barbara and the State of California, Department of Transportation.

Summary Text:

The proposed acquisition would consist of a strip of excess Caltrans property (Caltrans parcel # DD-2259-01-01, hereinafter the "Property") abutting the north side of Purisima Road, between Harris Grade Road and Le Valley Road. The Property is approximately 10' wide by 500' long.

The purpose of acquiring the Property at this time is due to the fact that Caltrans is in the process of selling a larger parcel to the north of (and abutting) the Property. In order to accommodate the County's Purisima Road Project, Caltrans agreed to withhold the Property from the sale of the larger parcel, provided the County purchases the Property within the next couple of months. Otherwise, the Property would have been included in the sale of the larger parcel auctioned to the public, and the County would

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have to acquire the Property from a private party later, at considerably more time, expense and risk to the County.

Background:

The purpose of acquiring the Property is to provide enough road right-of-way to allow the County Public Works Department to widen the roadway and install dedicated Class II bike lanes.

Currently, motorists and bicyclists share the roadway on Purisima Road. By providing dedicated Class II bike lanes, mixed bicycle and motorized traffic would be eliminated. By providing and maintaining a safe and convenient circulation system, more bicycle travel will be encouraged.

The Property will simply augment the existing right-of-way along Purisima Road. The Property provides sufficient right-of-way to explore a number of design options for class II bike lanes. Further CEQA analysis of the designs and environmental impacts will be performed prior to any construction. If no project is the preferred alternative, the County will simply have a slightly wider right-of-way.

At a purchase price of \$4,400, the acquisition of the Property by the County in no way obligates the County to construct bike lanes, but it provides the County with the flexibility to do so if further study and CEQA analysis warrant it, as expected.

On May 2, 2007, the Planning Commission found the County's acquisition of the Property to be in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Government Code Section 65402(a).

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	<u>Curre</u>	nt FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	 otal One-Time Project Cost
General Fund				
State				
Federal				
Fees				
Other: TIP (Mitigation)	\$	10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
Total	\$	10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00

Narrative: The total cost for real property support and the acquisition in the amount of \$10,000 will be funded by TIP (Mitigation). Of the \$10,000 total, \$5,600 has been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Org 0014, Program 2050, Account 7460 for Real Property services. The remaining \$4,400 has been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Org 0014, Program 2050, Account 8100 for the purchase price for the Property.

Staffing Impacts:

None.

Special Instructions:

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After Board action, distribute as follows:

1.	Original Option Agreements	Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl
2.	Copy of Option Agreement	Clerk of Board Files
3.	Copy of Option Agreement	Transportation Division, Attn: Diana Estorga
4.	Original Notice of Exemption	Clerk of Board Files
5.	Copy of Notice of Exemption	Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl
6.	Copy of Notice of Exemption	Transportation Division, Attn: Diana Estorga
7.	Minute Order	Surveyor's Division, Attn: Harrison Heyl
8.	Minute Order	Transportation Division, Attn: Diana Estorga

The Real Property Section of the Surveyor's Division will deliver the original Option Agreements to Caltrans for execution, then deliver the County's fully executed contract to the Clerk of the Board for its files. Real Property will also keep a copy of the fully-executed agreement in its files.

Attachments:

Option Agreements (2) Notice of Exemption

Authored by:

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cc:

Diane Estorga, Public Works, Transportation Division