SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Agenda Number:

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Department Name: Public Works
Department Number: 054

Agenda Date: 5/16/06 **Placement:** Administrative

Placement: Estimate Time:

Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Public Works Department

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CONTACT: Public Works Department – Transportation Division

SUBJECT: Construction of Sabado Tarde Road Streetscape Improvements from El Embarcadero

East in Isla Vista, Third Supervisorial District; County Project Number 310309

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the Project and Categorical Exemption pursuant to the County's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines for the Construction of Sabado Tarde Road Streetscape Improvements from El Embarcadero East in Isla Vista, County Project Number 310309;
- B. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for the Construction of Sabado Tarde Road Streetscape Improvements from El Embarcadero East in Isla Vista.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 1. An Efficient Government Able to Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The project is located on the northerly side of Sabado Tarde Road from El Embarcadero to the easterly terminus at the University. The purpose of the project is to construct missing segments of sidewalk, install eighteen New Zealand Christmas Trees in newly created 3-foot wide by 8-foot long tree wells and improve the accessibility through the project area by acquiring the additional easements necessary to install sidewalks behind the existing driveway approaches. The proposed sidewalks at each driveway will be narrowed to 3-foot due to right of way constraints, cost and the property owners desire to maintain a buffer between the

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existing buildings and the sidewalk improvements. The proposed sidewalks will extend a maximum of 7.5-foot from the back of the existing curb. Additionally, the sidewalks will narrow to 4.5-foot at each proposed tree well location. These facilities are necessary to improve pedestrian safety and create continuous pedestrian walkways and access to the community while providing an improved streetscape.



Pursuant to the County's CEQA guidelines, staff has determined the project is exempt from further environmental review. Approval of this Categorical Exemption shall indicate the Board of Supervisors' approval of this project and will commence the appeal period, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

The "Notice to Contractors" will be published prior to the date set for the opening of bids.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Public Works front counter in the County Engineering Building, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101, and at the North County Public Works office, presently located at 620 W. Foster Road, Santa Maria, California 93455, and will be opened publicly and read aloud at a date to be determined.

This project was included in the FY 04/05 and FY 05/06 Capital Improvement Program.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Approval by the Board of Supervisors will not change the programs or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The project will be funded by the Redevelopment Agency - \$120,000 and the remaining funds provided by Measure D. The funds have been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Org. 0002, Program 2900, and Account 7511(Measure D) Account 7510 (RDA).

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This project will have a minor impact to facilities due to the acquisition of Road Right of Way, and infrastructure improvements.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a certified stamped minute order approving these recommendations to the Public Works Department, Transportation Division, Engineering Section Attn: Beverly Cross (ext. 3094). Please post a copy of the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk of the Board for 6 days prior and remain posted for 35 days after project approval.

Concurrence:

None

Attachments:

Attachment A: CEQA Notice of Exemption

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