

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: April 23, 2024
Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Chris Sneddon, Public Works Director, (805) 568-3010

Director(s)

Contact Info: Walter Rubalcava, Deputy Director – Water Resources, (805) 568-3436

SUBJECT: Isla Vista Trash Capture Project, Second Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Public Works Director and designee to advertise and receive bids for the Isla Vista Trash Capture Project No. 56STC; and
- b) Find this proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines15378(b), as the project involves the minor alteration of existing public structures within the public road to provide for improvements in public health and safety. The project will occur within and below the roadway where no sensitive resources are located, and there are no unusual circumstances resulting in significant impacts which would threaten the environment. The CEQA Notice of Exemption is located at: https://content.civicplus.com/api/assets/adf616b9-8f1d-4355-8a2e-0d8cc7c7399e.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to obtain authority to advertise and receive bids for construction of the Isla Vista Trash Capture Project. The project will provide for the installation of a hydrodynamic separation device that will prevent trash originating from Isla Vista from being discharged into Goleta Slough from the municipal storm drain.

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This project will be bid in accordance with Public Contract Code which requires competitive bidding to advertise, receive bids, and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The construction contract and bid documents will include the most current federal terms as required for use of funds through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The ARPA funds used for this project will cover eligible costs incurred through December 31, 2024.

Background:

In 2015, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) adopted Resolution No. 2015-0019, Amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for Ocean Waters of California to Control Trash and Part 1 Trash Provisions of the Water Quality Control Plan for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries of California, referred to as the Trash Amendments. The objective of the Trash Amendments is to provide statewide consistency for controlling the discharge of trash to state waters in order to protect aquatic life and public health beneficial uses and to reduce overall environmental impacts.

Santa Barbara County was issued a Water Code Section 13383 Order by the State Water Board in June 2017, stating compliance with the Trash Amendments is required by 2030 via one of two compliance pathways or "Tracks". Track 1 requires the installation, maintenance, and operation of full trash capture systems within storm drains that carry runoff from defined land use types: high-density residential, industrial, commercial, mixed urban, and public transportation. Track 2 requires municipalities to achieve and demonstrate full capture system equivalency within these storm drains described above through a combination of full trash capture systems "where feasible" plus multi-benefit projects, best management practices, and/or the performance of enhanced programmatic control measures like street sweeping or manual trash clean-up in drainages where full trash capture systems are infeasible. The Track 2 option provides flexibility in areas when full trash capture systems cannot be installed throughout the defined drainage systems.

The Isla Vista Trash Capture Project meets the full trash capture requirements of Track 1 within its defined drainage area, and will contribute toward the County's overall compliance with the State Water Board's 13383 Order Countywide.

The County operates seven similar units within the County unincorporated areas, four of which are located in Isla Vista. The four existing units in Isla Vista are along Del Playa Road and treat storm runoff prior to discharge into the ocean, whereas drainage from Isla Vista to the north into Goleta Slough is untreated. The proposed Isla Vista Trash Capture Project will address this area and prevent trash from reaching the water. Ongoing maintenance activities have been conducted by Project Clean Water within the existing units since 2003, and will continue as budgeted in the Project Clean Water budget under municipal operations / good housekeeping.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

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Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost
General Fund			
State			
Federal ARPA Funding			\$ 516,500.0
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 516,500.0

Narrative:

Costs for the construction of the Isla Vista Trash Capture Project are estimated to be \$516,500.00. This project would be 100% funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). These costs are included in the Project Clean Water FY 2023-24 adopted budget, as reflected in the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-331 in the Budget Book.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of Board to email a copy of the minute order of these actions to Christina Lopez at clopez@countyofsb.org.

Attachment:

Attachment A - Copy of CEQA Notice of Exemption filed on 3.20.24

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