



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Agenda Number:

Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: March 4, 2014
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: 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: Clark SRTS Sidewalk Project In Orcutt; Federal Project SRTSL-5951(144);
County Project No. 862349; Fourth Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the Project, SRTS Sidewalk Project in Orcutt; Federal Project SRTSL-5951(144); County Project No. 862349;
- B. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for bids to construct the Clark SRTS Sidewalk Project in Orcutt; Federal Project SRTSL-5951(144); County Project No. 862349; and
- C. Find that the proposed action is for the repair and maintenance of an existing public facility involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that which presently exists, that the proposed action is therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 CCR 15301, and approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption on that basis.

Summary Text:

The project site will improve pedestrian mobility along Clark Avenue by constructing a sidewalk and curb ramps where there is currently only a narrow, uneven dirt trail. In addition to creating safer passage for school children, the project fits within the larger Old Town Orcutt plans to increase walkability in the area.

Construction is planned for summer 2014, and will include approximately 600 linear feet of new sidewalk on the south side of Clark Avenue from Norris Avenue to the Caltrans right of way near State Route 135. From there Caltrans has plans to improve the intersection with the on and off ramps.

During construction, traffic control will be in place. Traffic may be moved over and the shoulder closed with flagging as needed.



Clark Avenue, view towards State Route 135

Background:

This project was requested from members of the Orcutt community. Public Works studied the area and found that pedestrian traffic to and from the school was steady both before and after school, and that people often walked in the road. In addition, navigating the uneven dirt path can be challenging. The department applied for and received funding for this project through a competitive federal program created to improve safety along routes to schools.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

To preserve the competitive bidding process, the construction funding amount will be disclosed after bids are opened and the Department approaches your Board for the award of a construction contract. Federal Safe Routes to School (SRTS) will fund 88.53% of construction costs. Measure A Alternative Transportation funds will provide the remaining 11.47%. The funds have been budgeted for FY 2013/2014 in Dept. 054, Fund 0017, Org. 0600, Program 2830, Account 7510.

Special Instructions:

Please provide a certified, stamped minute order approving these actions to the Public Works Department, Transportation Division, Engineering Section office, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, Attn: Gena Valentine-Felix.

Attachment:

CEQA Notice of Exemption

Authored by:

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