



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Agenda Number:

Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
Agenda Date: June 23, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Chris Sneddon, Public Works Director ^{DS}CS
Contact: Mostafa Estaji, Deputy Director, Transportation ^{DS}ME
SUBJECT: Award of Contract for Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access
Improvement Project – Phase 2, County Project No. 720864, State Project No.
052000106, First Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve the plans and specifications, on file in the Public Works Department Office, located at 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101, for the construction of Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access Improvement Project – Phase 2; County Project No. 720864; State Project No. 052000106 in the First Supervisorial District;
- b) Award the attached construction contract for the Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access Improvement Project – Phase 2 in the amount of \$10,632,995.05 to the lowest responsible bidder, Toro Enterprises, Inc., PO BOX 6285, Oxnard, CA 93031, subject to the provisions of documents and certifications, as set forth in the specifications applicable to the project, as required under California law;
- c) Authorize the Public Works Director, or designee, to approve change orders for the Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access Improvement Project – Phase 2 for a contingency amount up to \$559,649.75, plus an additional amount of up to \$310,000.00 for supplemental work items, for a total not to exceed authorization amount of \$11,502,644.80;
- d) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached construction contract, which has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Manager, or their authorized representatives;

- e) Consider the environmental effects of the project as shown in the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (19NGD-00000-00005) dated September 16, 2019, adopted by the County of Santa Barbara on September 25, 2019, and find that pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines §15162, no substantial changes are proposed, and there are no substantial changes in circumstances or new information of substantial importance regarding significant impacts or feasibility of mitigation measures and alternative, and therefore approval of the Recommended Actions are within the scope of the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (19NGD-00000-00005). The Final Mitigated Negative Declaration can be found here:

<https://cosantabarbara.app.box.com/s/q97rv82305oyfnbdjhcyxrrdhu3dggkqy/file/527282257113>

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to approve the Plans and Specifications and award the construction contract for the Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access Improvement Project – Phase 2; County Project No. 720864; State Project No. 052000106 in the First Supervisorial District to the lowest responsible bidder, Toro Enterprises, Inc.

Discussion:

On Thursday, April 23, 2026, three (3) bids were opened for the Project. Toro Enterprises submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$10,632,995.05, which is 14% below the Engineers Estimate. The Department analyzed the bid and determined the lowest bid is responsible and responsive. The Project was bid in accordance with the Public Contract Code, which requires the award to go to the lowest responsible bidder. Public Works recommends awarding the contract to Toro Enterprises, Inc.

Background:

The proposed Santa Claus Lane Streetscape and Coastal Access Improvements Project - Phase 2 is located on Santa Claus Lane between Padaro Lane and Sandpoint Road, near the City of Carpinteria. Phase 2 of the project primarily focuses on providing an authorized controlled pedestrian crossing of Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) facilities to provide access to Santa Claus Lane Beach, and includes retaining walls, sidewalks, formalized angled coastal access parking, landscaped bulb-outs and medians, crosswalks, streetlights, and other appurtenances. The project also includes the construction of a sewer mainline extension and service lateral to the future bathrooms proposed for the beach side of Santa Claus Lane, directly adjacent to the pedestrian at-grade crossing. These Phase 2 improvements to Santa Claus Lane were developed in coordination with adjacent completed improvements involving County, Caltrans, City of Carpinteria, UPRR, and the California Public Utility Commission, for completing a segment of the California Coastal Trail.

The recently completed construction of Santa Claus Lane Streetscape Improvements Phase 1A primarily focused on a multi-use path, retaining walls, drainage improvements and coastal access parking on Highway 101 or mountain side of Santa Claus Lane. The future Phase 3 of the Santa Claus Lane Streetscape Improvements Project will focus on finishing planned improvements within the business corridor of Santa Claus Lane. Upon the successful award of a construction contract for Phase 2 of the project, a request for construction funding will be submitted to Caltrans and the County of

Santa Barbara County Associations of Government (SBCAG) to determine available funding sources to allocate towards Phase 3.

Prior to and during construction, which is anticipated to begin in late July 2026, the Department will implement a public outreach program to inform the public about the project construction schedule and traffic control impacts. During construction, while work is being performed that impacts traffic conveyance, the Contractor is permitted to utilize traffic control for one lane of alternating traffic control. The full width of the traveled way will be open to traffic when no active construction activities are in the traveled way or within 6 feet of the traveled way. The full width of the traveled way will also be open each Friday after 3:30p.m. and on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes, the project was budgeted in FY26-27 recommended budget.

This project is budgeted in Fund FD-0017, Program PG-0542830, Cost Center CC-54210, Project PRJ-00782 (720864).

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 26/27	FY27/28	Total
State – Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) funds	\$11,000,000	\$502,644.80	\$11,502,644.80
Total			\$11,502,644.80

Special Instructions:

Please email the following to Emily Ferguson at ekferguson@countyofsb.org.

- A Minute Order approving these Board recommended actions.
- Executed contract.
- Copy of the signed Plans Title Sheet.
- Copy of the signed Special Provisions Signature Sheet.

Please forward a stamped approved Minute Order to Emily Ferguson, Public Works – Transportation Division, Engineering Building, 123 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, CA, 93101.

Attachments:

Attachment A – 720864 Contract (Signature Needed)

Attachment B – 720864 Plans Signature Sheet 1 (Streetscape) (Signature Needed)

Attachment C – 720864 Signature Sheet 2 (Coastal Access) (Signature Needed)

Attachment D - 720864 Specs Signature Sheet (Signature Needed)

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