



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: PW/Flood Control
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: April 4, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

FROM: Department
Director(s) Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, (805) 568-3010
Contact
Info: Walter Rubalcava, Deputy Director - Water Resources, (805) 568-3436

SUBJECT: Battles Road Drainage Improvements Cooperative Agreement,
Fifth Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Directors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Cooperative Agreement for Construction of Improvements on Battles Road with the City of Santa Maria associated with drainage improvements for Specific Plan Area 5B in the incorporated Santa Maria area; and
- b) Determine that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15162, and as specified in Attachment B – California Environmental Quality Act Findings, the actions proposed to implement the Cooperative Agreement are within the scope of the environmental review documents for the Blosser-Southeast Specific Plan Amendment (Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report #1994107909 certified by lead agency City of Santa Maria September 15, 2020) and that no additional environmental review is required. The Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report can be found here:
<https://cityofsantamaria.civicweb.net/document/52623/>

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to obtain Board approval and authorization to execute the Cooperative Agreement for Construction of Improvements on Battles Road in the City of Santa Maria (City) as part of Specific Plan Area 5B-Acquistapace Tract Map 6022, Fifth Supervisorial District.

The Flood Control District (District) is willing to cooperate with the City on a new drainage facility along Battles Road and South Depot Street. This new drainage facility is to be designed with both above surface open channel and underground conduit improvements of which only the subsurface improvements will be dedicated to the District upon satisfactory completion and approval of construction. All costs of said project from design review, permitting, construction, and inspection are to be incurred by the Developer and/or the City.

The underground storm drain improvements are of such a size and nature that the District is agreeable to accept ownership and future maintenance responsibilities of the facilities due to the regional flood control improvement to the area.

Background:

The City has conditionally approved the Specific Plan Area 5B Subdivision, also known as Acquistapace Tract Map 6002. The City will require the Developer to construct certain on-site and off-site storm drain improvements. All onsite drainage improvements will be owned and maintained by the City and/or Homeowner's Association.

The City has requested that the District cooperate in the establishment of a new drainage facility along Battles Road as part of the above-mentioned subdivision. The existing offsite drainage facility consists of an open earthen channel. The new offsite drainage facilities will continue to have an above ground channel (owned/maintained by the City) along with a subsurface conduit (to be owned/maintained by the District). Construction of the underground drainage conduit will be routinely inspected and once completed with satisfactory District approval, will be dedicated along with right-of-way and easements to the District.

The District has an interest in ensuring the underground conduit is designed, constructed and maintained properly as this will contribute drainage to existing regional detention basins located west of the proposed project.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Narrative:

All project costs will be funded by the Developer and/or the City, including, permitting, construction, inspection, staff time, and easement dedication costs. Future maintenance costs will be included in the District's yearly budget for the Santa Maria Flood Zone.

No General Fund monies will be utilized with this project.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send an original signature page of the Cooperative Agreement for Construction of Improvements on Battles Road in the City of Santa Maria and a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District office, Attn: Christina Lopez.

Attachments:

Attachment A - Cooperative Agreement for Construction of Improvements on Battles Road in the City of Santa Maria (an original agreement and an additional signature page)

Attachment B - CEQA Findings

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Proposed Battles Road Drainage Facility Location

