



City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: July 2, 2019

TO: Jim Throop, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution No. 6288(19) Authorizing the Community Development Director to Execute Agreements with the California Department of Transportation for the Lompoc Streetscape Multi-Modal Improvement Plan

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 6288(19) (Attachment 1) authorizing the Community Development Director, or designee, to execute agreements with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Lompoc Streetscape Multi-Modal Improvement Plan (Streetscape Plan).

Background:

The California Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 1 (the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017), which is a transportation funding bill to provide a dependable source of funds to maintain and integrate the State's multi-modal transportation system. The Caltrans Transportation Planning Grants, funded by SB 1, are intended to strengthen the economy, promote equity, and protect the environment by supporting multi-modal transportation, and land use planning. Approximately \$29 million in SB 1 funds are available for the Caltrans Grant for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20 grant cycle. The grant aims to support Caltrans' mission of providing a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's livability, implement the Regional Transportation Plan Sustainable Communities Strategies, and achieve the State's greenhouse gas reduction goal.

Discussion:

On November 20, 2018, the Planning Division was authorized to apply for the Caltrans grant.¹ With support from the City Council, staff has applied for and received a conditional award letter for the Sustainable Communities Competitive grant for the Streetscape Plan (Attachment 2).

¹ Resolution No. 6228(18)

To accept the grant and begin work, one of the conditions requires a local Resolution signed by the City Council. Staff recommends acceptance of the grant since the funding would allow the development of a plan for transportation improvements along Highway 1 (North H Street) and Highway 246 (Ocean Avenue) (Project). The Project would implement a “complete streets” program where design, operation and maintenance of the streets will provide safe mobility for all users, such as bicyclists, pedestrians and vehicles.

Fiscal Impact:

To receive \$258,508 in funding, the grant requires a minimum 11.47% local match with a total estimated cost of \$292,000. The local match for the grant is \$33,492 with \$20,000 fulfilled through Measure A funds and the remaining in staff time associated with the Project. On April 2, 2019, the City Council adopted a five-year local program of projects for Measure A funds, which allocated \$20,000 as a local match for the grant.²

Conclusion:

Adoption of Resolution No. 6288(19) would authorize the Community Development Director to execute agreements with Caltrans for the Project and allow grant work to begin.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Halvorson, Planning Manager

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY MANAGER:

Christie Alarcon, Community Development Director

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Jim Throop, City Manager

- Attachments: 1) Resolution No. 6288(19)
2) Conditional Award Letter

² Resolution No. 6246(19)