



City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: November 17, 2020

TO: Jim Throop, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Approve Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG for Cycle 3 of the Measure A North County Safe Routes to School, Bicycle & Pedestrian Program, For Design and Construction of a Sidewalk and Pedestrian Railroad Crossing at A Street and Cypress Avenue

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the Mayor to execute the attached Measure A Project Cooperative Agreement for Projects Awarded to the City of Lompoc in Cycle 3 of the Measure A North Safe Routes to School Bicycle & Pedestrian Programs (Cooperative Agreement); and
- 2) Direct staff to complete the proposed project and work with Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) staff to fulfill the terms of the Cooperative Agreement.

Background:

In March 2020, staff submitted a competitive grant application to the SBCAG Cycle 3 of the Measure A North County Safe Routes to School, Bicycle & Pedestrian Program to fund the design and construction of the sidewalk and pedestrian railroad crossing at the southwest corner of A Street and Cypress Avenue (Project).

The Project will eliminate the only sidewalk gap along Cypress Avenue between Lompoc Valley Middle School and Hapgood Elementary, and will improve safety and mobility for students who currently traverse around the railroad drainage structure and onto the street while walking to and from school.

The Project was approved for the entire \$45,000 amount requested in the application. To ensure higher scores and grant application success, the City committed an additional \$10,000 of City transportation funds.

Discussion:

To receive the awarded grant funding and program the Project's development, the City must execute the attached Cooperative Agreement with SBCAG. SBCAG drafted the Cooperative Agreement and associated Measure A project sheet and plans to request SBCAG Board approval at the November SBCAG Board Meeting. City staff reviewed and commented on the draft documents, comments which have been accepted and incorporated into the attached Agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

In accordance with Exhibit A of the Cooperative Agreement, this grant's funding will be available during Fiscal Year 2020/2021, with an anticipated project completion during August 2021. The project will be funded with \$45,000 of regional Measure A funds while the City's overall share of funding of this project is limited to the \$10,000 proposed from Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funds.

Conclusion:

The Mayor's execution of the attached Agreement will allow staff to complete the Project as to utilize the awarded grant funds to benefit the City.

Respectfully submitted,

Christos A. Stoyos, Principal Civil Engineer

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY MANAGER:

Michael Luther, P.E., Public Works Director

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Jim Throop, City Manager

Attachment: Cooperative Agreement