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Public Works Order No: 207043

REQUESTING AND RECOMMENDING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND \$1,500,000 FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S CLEAN CALIFORNIA LOCAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AND ENHANCEMENTS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM IN SUPPORT OF THE POTRERO GATEWAY STREETScape IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING PUBLIC WORKS TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH CALTRANS REGARDING PROJECT CONSTRUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has collaborated with the California Department of Transportation (“Caltrans”) on the Potrero Gateway Streetscape Improvement project, which would revitalize and reconnect the Potrero Hill neighborhood separated by State Route 101 by creating a gateway and providing a safer passageway under the freeway overpass, along 17th Street from Vermont Street to San Bruno Avenue, and along Vermont Street from 17th Street to Mariposa Street (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, The Project includes streetscape improvements to aesthetically enhance the open space with the addition of new public artwork, enhanced fencing, retaining walls, soil stabilization, and the planting of new trees and landscaping using local native varieties to better support the local ecology, along with improvements to pedestrian, bicyclist, and motorist safety by constructing safer and accessible widened sidewalks, corner pedestrian bulb-outs, and protected bicycle lanes; and

WHEREAS, While working with community organizations, the City identified the Project site and associated challenges and developed concepts that resulted in the proposed Project; and

WHEREAS, Caltrans and Public Works collaborated on the concept of the Project and formulated a Project budget under which Caltrans would work with the City to construct and install the necessary structures and infrastructure, install utility connections, and install public art, as described in the Legislative Package (defined below); and

WHEREAS, Thereafter, Caltrans submitted a proposal to the Clean California Local Enhancement Program to fund the Project (“Proposal”); and

WHEREAS, On June 9, 2021, Public Works, the Lead Agency for the Project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), issued a notice of exemption, attached as Exhibit 1, which determined that the Project constitutes a Common Sense Exempt project under Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Code of Regulations; and

WHEREAS, On or about November 29, 2021, Caltrans approved the Proposal (attached as Exhibit 2, as approved); and

WHEREAS, Caltrans and Public Works have negotiated a cooperative agreement under which Caltrans would be the Project sponsor responsible for establishing the scope of the Project and securing the financial resources to fund the Project construction, and the City, acting by and through Public Works, would be responsible for managing the scope, cost, schedule, and quality of the Project construction and the related plans, specifications, and estimates (the “Cooperative Agreement,” attached as Exhibit 3); and

WHEREAS, In compliance with the requirements of Administrative Code Section 10.170-1, the Department shall transmit this Order to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors along with the following documents: (1) the Caltrans notice of exemption (Exhibit 1); (2) the approved Proposal (Exhibit 2); (3) the Cooperative Agreement (Exhibit 3); (4) the proposed resolution signed by the Department, the Mayor or the Mayor’s designee, and the Controller, attached as Exhibit 4; (5) the associated Grant Information Form, attached as Exhibit 5; and (6) a cover letter to the Clerk of the Board substantially conforming to the specifications of the Clerk of the Board (together with the Order and all referenced exhibits, the “Legislative Package”); and

WHEREAS, The Department has reviewed the contents of the Legislative Package; therefore, it is hereby:

REQUESTED and RECOMMENDED, That the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed resolution and authorize the Department of Public Works to enter into the Cooperative Agreement on behalf of the City, and to authorize the Department and the Clerk of the Board to take further actions, as may be deemed necessary by the Grantor before the Department may accept and expend the grant funds for the Project, as set forth in the Legislative Package.

It is so ordered.

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