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TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Alaric Degrafinried, Acting Director of Public Works
DATE: January 25, 2021
SUBJECT: Accept and Expend Resolution for Federal Grant
GRANT TITLE: Federal Highway Administration – Emergency Relief Program

Attached please find the following:

- Proposed grant resolution signed by Department
- Grant information form, including disability checklist
- Grant Budget
- Grant Project Application
- Grant Project Authorization
- Grant Finance Letter

Departmental representative to receive a copy of the adopted resolution:

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Certified copy required: Yes

No

Summary

San Francisco Public Works (SFPW) requests retroactive authorization to accept and expend \$226,265.50 from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Federal Emergency Relief Program to fund the construction of the Public Works' O'Shaughnessy Boulevard project. This authorization will bring the total grant amount to \$3,015,619.50.

On May 17, 2018, Mayor Mark Farrell signed Resolution no. 138-18 which retroactively authorized the Director of Public Works to accept and expend an amount not to exceed \$2,789,354 from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Federal Emergency Relief Program for the O'Shaughnessy Boulevard project. On May 17, 2018, SFPW entered into a Program Supplement Agreement with Caltrans for the O'Shaughnessy Boulevard project. The project is divided into three phases of work, with two Emergency Opening phases that start immediately after the emergency and one Permanent Restoration phase that requires authorization to proceed from Caltrans.

On September 23, 2019, San Francisco Public Works received authorization to proceed with construction from Caltrans, which included a \$226,265.50 fund increase, bringing the total grant amount for all phases to \$3,015,619.50.

Background

On January 19, 2017, San Francisco Public Works issued Order No. 185632 declaring a local emergency regarding the severe erosion on O'Shaughnessy Boulevard, resulting from a storm system.

On January 23, 2017, Governor of California, Jerry Brown, proclaimed that a storm system resulting from an atmospheric river, combined with extreme drought conditions, caused dangerous flash flooding, erosion, and substantial mud and debris flows throughout the State of California. The Governor directed the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to request immediate assistance through the Federal Highway Administration's Emergency Relief Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs and reconstruction for the damages and erosion resulting from a storm system.

The Emergency Relief Program allows local agencies to start work immediately after the emergency and seek reimbursement from Caltrans at a later date. Once Caltrans received the authority to use federal Emergency Relief Program funds for damages resulting from the storm, San Francisco Public Works requested and was approved to receive \$2,789,354 in federal funds. The initial damage assessment allows up to \$3,015,619.50 in total federal reimbursement, pending completion of design and updating cost estimates for the construction phase.

On May 17, 2018, Mayor Mark Farrell signed Resolution no. 138-18 which retroactively authorized the Director of Public Works to act as the agent of the City and County of San Francisco, as a non-state agency, to accept and expend federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288, as amended by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988, from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration, and/or state financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act, for an amount not to exceed \$2,789,354 to reimburse the local funds used to cover the 2017 emergency response costs and pay for the federal share of the permanent restoration to address the emergency condition of the severe erosion along O'Shaughnessy Boulevard.