



DATE: February 19, 2019

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Interim Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: New Sidewalks FY19 Project – Approval of Plans and Specifications and Call for Bids

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the attached resolution (Attachment II) approving the plans and specifications for the New Sidewalks FY19 Project, calling for bids to be received on March 19, 2019.

SUMMARY

The New Sidewalks FY19 Project calls for three locations for new sidewalks: Calhoun Street, Muir Street, and Walpert Street (Attachment III).

The project will help provide a safe and continuous pedestrian route to Saint Clement School, John Muir Elementary School, and Hayward High school. Existing driveways and curb ramps in new sidewalk areas will be reconstructed to comply with the current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

The project budget of \$2,540,000 is funded via Measure B (Pedestrian and Bicycle) and Measure BB (Pedestrian and Bicycle) funds.

BACKGROUND

Calhoun Street, Muir Street, and Walpert Street were identified as needing new sidewalk construction, and repairs of existing sidewalk segments to further the City's goal of providing safe and continuous pedestrian access. The City has received requests from residents in the neighborhood for sidewalk improvements at these locations.

On May 23, 2018, staff presented to the Council Infrastructure Committee (CIC) concerns pertaining to Muir Street: project redesign to include sidewalk abutting curb and gutter, residents' request to waive deferred improvement agreements, and residents' request to retain non-standard driveways.

On June 25, 2018, staff held a public outreach meeting at City Hall with Muir Street residents to resolve all remaining resident concerns. The most pressing concern was with two property owners (24965 & 25101 Muir Street) whom were financially responsible for sidewalk, driveway, and curb & gutter improvements in front of their property because of a deferred improvement agreement. The two property owners expressed difficulty in paying for the costs for the improvements. A neighboring property owner, Gordon Dotson Properties LP, agreed to pay for both deferred improvement agreement costs, a total of \$10,000.

DISCUSSION

This project will provide a continuous sidewalk on:

- North side of Calhoun Street (from 250’ east of Mission Boulevard to 100’ east of E 15th street)
- Both sides of Muir Street (from Orchard Avenue to Evelyn Lane)
- Both sides of Walpert Street (from Fletcher Lane to Second Street)

The proposed improvements will add 0.66 miles of new sidewalk to the City’s inventory, which totals approximately 460 miles. The new concrete sidewalk, curb, and gutter will meet current City standards. In addition, existing curb ramps that are non-compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) will be removed and reconstructed to comply with current ADA requirements.

Approximately 450 lineal feet of existing asphalt sidewalk on the south side of Walpert Street will be reconstructed as a condition set by the City to the proposed Parkside Heights residential development at the southeast corner of Walpert Street and Second Street. The new concrete sidewalk, curb, and gutter will meet current City standards, and is estimated to be completed by summer 2019.

This project is categorically exempt under Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing facilities.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The project is funded by City’s Capital Improvement Program and State Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB1) funds.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated project funding sources are as follows:

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| 213 - Measure BB | \$1,210,000 |
| 211 - Measure B | <u>\$1,330,000</u> |
| | Total: \$2,540,000 |

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

This agenda item supports the Complete Streets Strategic Initiative. The purpose of the Complete Streets Initiative is to build streets that are safe, comfortable and convenient for travel for everyone, regardless of age or ability, including motorist, pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transportation riders. This item supports the following goals and objective:

Goal 1: Prioritize safety for all modes of travel

Goal 2: Provide Complete Streets that balance the diverse needs of users of the public right-of-way

Objective 1: Increase walking, biking, transit usage, carpooling, and other sustainable modes of transportation by designing and retrofitting streets to accommodate all modes.

SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES

The project satisfies the following General Plan policies:

- M-1.7 Eliminate Gaps (in pedestrian networks)
- M-3.1 Serving All Users
- M-3.10 Motorists, Bicyclists, and Pedestrian Conflicts
- M-5.2 Pedestrian System
- M-5.4 Sidewalk Design
- M-5.7 Safe Sidewalks

The project requires the contractor to recycle all construction and demolition debris as a result of the project.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Staff sent letters to the affected property owners notifying them of the proposed work and preliminary schedule.

For Calhoun Street, the project requires a pedestrian easement from Saint Clement School to obtain enough room to install a 5-foot wide sidewalk. Staff is currently working on obtaining the pedestrian easement.

For Muir Street, staff held a public outreach meeting at City Hall with residents to resolve concerns. Staff is currently working on obtaining the pedestrian easement and all necessary right-of-entry authorizations.

For Walpert Street, the project requires right-of-way acquisition from Hayward Unified School District's (HUSD) school to maintain the existing bus loading zone in front of the school. In

addition, right-of-entry permits are needed from specific property owners adjacent to the project to grant the City's contractor permission to enter the property and install driveway conforms. Staff has completed the right-of-way acquisition and received all necessary right-of-entry authorizations.

NEXT STEPS

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| March 2019 | Bid Opening |
| April 2019 | Award of Contract |
| May 2019 | Start of Construction |
| September 2019 | End of Construction |

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