

**DATE:** March 20, 2018

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Interim Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT** New Sidewalks FY17 – Walpert Street (Fletcher Lane to Second Street), Project No. 05258 & 05259: Approval of Plans and Specifications, and Call for Bids and Appropriation of Additional Funds

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the attached resolutions:

- 1. Approving the plans and specifications; and
- 2. Appropriating additional funds for the New Sidewalks FY17 Walpert Street (Fletcher Lane to Second Street) project, and calling for construction bids to be received on April 17, 2018.

#### **SUMMARY**

Walpert Street needs new sidewalks to provide a safe and continuous pedestrian route from Fletcher Lane to Second Street. The project will also help provide safe and convenient access to 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.

## BACKGROUND

Walpert Street was 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 this location. The project on Walpert Street is near Hayward High School where students currently use the street to get to and from school. Completion of this project will provide a continuous and safer sidewalk route. A location map depicting the limits of work is attached (Attachment IV).

## DISCUSSION

This project will provide a continuous sidewalk on both the north and south sides of Walpert Street (from Fletcher Lane to Second Street). The proposed improvements will add 0.35 miles of new sidewalk to the City's inventory, which totals approximately 460 miles, and will repair approximately 21,500 square feet of roadway pavement adjacent to the new sidewalks. 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 is to 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.

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

## ECONOMIC AND FISCAL IMPACT

This project is fully funded by the City's Capital Improvement Program without any additional contributions from the public. The estimated project cost is as follows:

Construction Contract with 10% Contingency	\$690,000
Right-of-Way Engineering and Acquisition	\$ 80,000
Design and Administration	\$125,000
Inspection, Testing and Construction Administration	<u>\$ 80,000</u>
Total	<u>\$975,000</u>

The Adopted FY 2018 Capital Improvement Program includes \$480,000 in Fund 216 -Measure B (Pedestrian and Bicycle) and \$350,000 in Fund 213 - Measure BB (Pedestrian and Bicycle) for the New Sidewalks FY17 – Walpert Street project totaling \$830,000. An additional appropriation of \$145,000 is requested to complete this project. Adequate funding is available in Fund 213 for the appropriation.

## STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

This agenda item supports the Complete Streets Strategic Initiative. The purpose of the Complete Streets Strategic 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 objectives:

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

#### **Transportation**

This project will improve the existing pedestrian system (General Plan Policy M-5.2) on Walpert Street, and serves to balance the diverse needs of users of the public right-of-way.

#### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

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

The construction contractor will be required to coordinate work with HUSD to minimize impacts to the school.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Advertise for Bids	March 23, 2018
Open Bids	April 17, 2018
Award Contract	May 15, 2018
Begin Work	June 18, 2018
Complete Work	September 28, 2018

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