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**DATE:** March 26, 2024

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works

## **SUBJECT**

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Project Initiation Document for the SR-92/Whitesell Interchange Project, Project No. 05334

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to sign the final Project Initiation Document (PID) for the SR-92/Whitesell Interchange Project on behalf of the City.

## SUMMARY

The State Route-92 (SR-92)/Clawiter Road interchange is the last interchange on SR-92 just east of the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge crossing at the San Francisco Bay and approximately two miles west of the SR -92/Interstate-880 (I-880) interchange. The Project is located in the western portion of the City in an area that is generally built out and characterized primarily by industrial land uses.

The proposed SR-92/Whitesell Interchange Project would further enhance the local reliever route between SR-92 and I-880, and significantly improve access to and from the City's industrial complexes, manufacturing sites, and office parks north and south of SR-92 and west of I-880. It would also improve bike and pedestrian connectivity across the interchange and operations of the interchange to further relieve congestion on SR-92, I-880 and major arterials in the area.

The purpose of the PID phase is to define the general scope of the environmental studies and engineering reports that will be necessary to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in the next phase of development, Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED). The preliminary alternatives developed in the PID will be further refined during the PA&ED phase through consultation with stakeholders and the public as required by CEQA and NEPA.

The City, in collaboration with Caltrans, is preparing the project's Final PID which will require approval from both the City and Caltrans. Successful completion of the PID will allow the City to move forward with seeking funding for the next phase of project development.

## ATTACHMENTS

Attachment IStaff ReportAttachment IIResolutionAttachment IIIDraft PID Document