



REPORT TO COUNCIL City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
February 12, 2008

**Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council**

**Title: Approval of Federal Transportation Priorities for FY09 Appropriations –
R Street Corridor Improvements**

Location/Council District: Citywide – All Districts

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** directing staff to seek federal FY09 Transportation Appropriation Funding of \$5 million for the R Street Corridor Improvements.

Contact: Azadeh Doherty, Principal Planner, 808-3137

Presenters: None

Department: Transportation

Division: Planning and Policy

Organization No: 3416

Description/Analysis

Issue: The Federal Agenda approved by the City of Sacramento is used to help the City Council set priorities for state and federal funding opportunities. Last year the City of Sacramento submitted an application for \$3.57 million for the R Street Corridor Improvements Project, however, due to restrictions on the federal budget the City did not receive any funds. This project continues to be a high priority for the City of Sacramento and, therefore, staff recommends that the City submit a new request for \$5 million for the FY09 appropriations cycle.

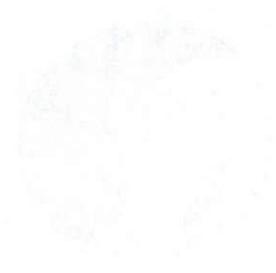
Policy Considerations: The actions contained in this report are consistent with Council policies seeking federal and state funds to leverage against local funds. The projects recommended for funding are consistent with the City of Sacramento's Strategic Plan goal of expanding economic development throughout the City.

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Department of Public Works

Director of Public Works

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Environmental Considerations: Council action designating R St for federal appropriations request is not subject to CEQA, however, the project will be delivered in accordance with CEQA.

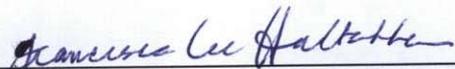
Rationale for Recommendation: The R Street Corridor Improvements Project extends from 10th Street to 18th Street and has been phased for delivery. Preliminary engineering and environmental analysis will soon be completed on the first project phase, from 10th to 13th Street. The construction cost estimate for Phase 1 is \$8.6 million, of which \$5.6 million is unfunded.

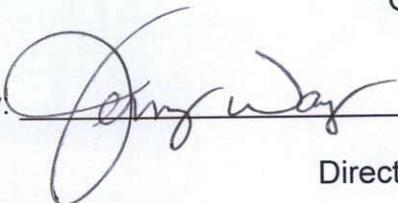
Phase 2 of the project is between 16th and 18th Street. The R Street Master Plan EIR has been completed and design for this phase is about to begin. The construction cost estimate for Phase 2 is \$4.6 million, of which \$3.9 million is unfunded.

To fully fund construction of Phases 1 and 2, City staff hopes to secure \$5 million in federal funds and \$4.5 million in Community Design Grant funds. Although it is uncertain how Congress will react to federal funding requests this year, the R Street Corridor project has been a very competitive project previously.

Financial Considerations: If the City of Sacramento is successful in obtaining appropriation funds, we will be required to provide up to a twenty percent local match. Staff will return at a later date to receive Council approval in appropriating the matching funds.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable as no goods or services are being procured.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Francesca L. Halbakken
Operations Manager

Approved by: 
Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:


RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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BACKGROUND

In FY 2008 Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) with strong support from the City of Sacramento submitted an application request in the amount of \$20 million for Federal Railroad Section 9002 funds for the City's number one priority project, the relocation of railroad tracks at the Intermodal Facility. In addition, the City submitted an appropriations request in the amount of \$3.57 million for the R Street Corridor Improvements project. The Rail Relocation project received \$400,000, however, due to federal financial constraints the City did not receive any funds for the R Street Corridor Improvements project.

This year, the federal government is once again operating within a very tight budget and Senator Feinstein's office has advised local jurisdictions to limit the submission of appropriations requests to projects of regional significance in FY2009. For this reason, the City staff, following the advice of its federal lobbyist, will not submit an appropriations request to either Senate office but will submit an appropriations request in the amount of \$5 million for the R Street Corridor Improvements project to Congresswoman Matsui's office.

On behalf of the City, SACOG will continue to seek Congressional support to fund the Section 9002 program as well as the appropriation of \$19.6 million in FY 2009 Section 9002 funds for rail track relocation at the Intermodal Facility. This would compliment the initial \$400,000 of Section 9002 funds appropriated in FY 2008.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**APPROVING FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES FOR FY09
APPROPRIATIONS FOR R STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

BACKGROUND

- A. The Federal Agenda approved by the City of Sacramento is used to help the City Council set priorities for state and federal funding opportunities.
- B. Additional funding is needed for the R Street Corridor Improvements Project.
- C. Environmental analysis and Preliminary Engineering on the first phase of the R Street Corridor Improvements Project (10th to 13th Streets) is near completion. The current cost estimate to complete this phase is approximately \$8.6 million.
- D. The second phase of this project is the segment between 16th and 18th Streets. The total cost of this segment is estimated at \$4.6 million.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Staff is directed to seek federal FY09 Transportation Appropriation funding of \$5 million for the R Street Corridor Improvements Project.

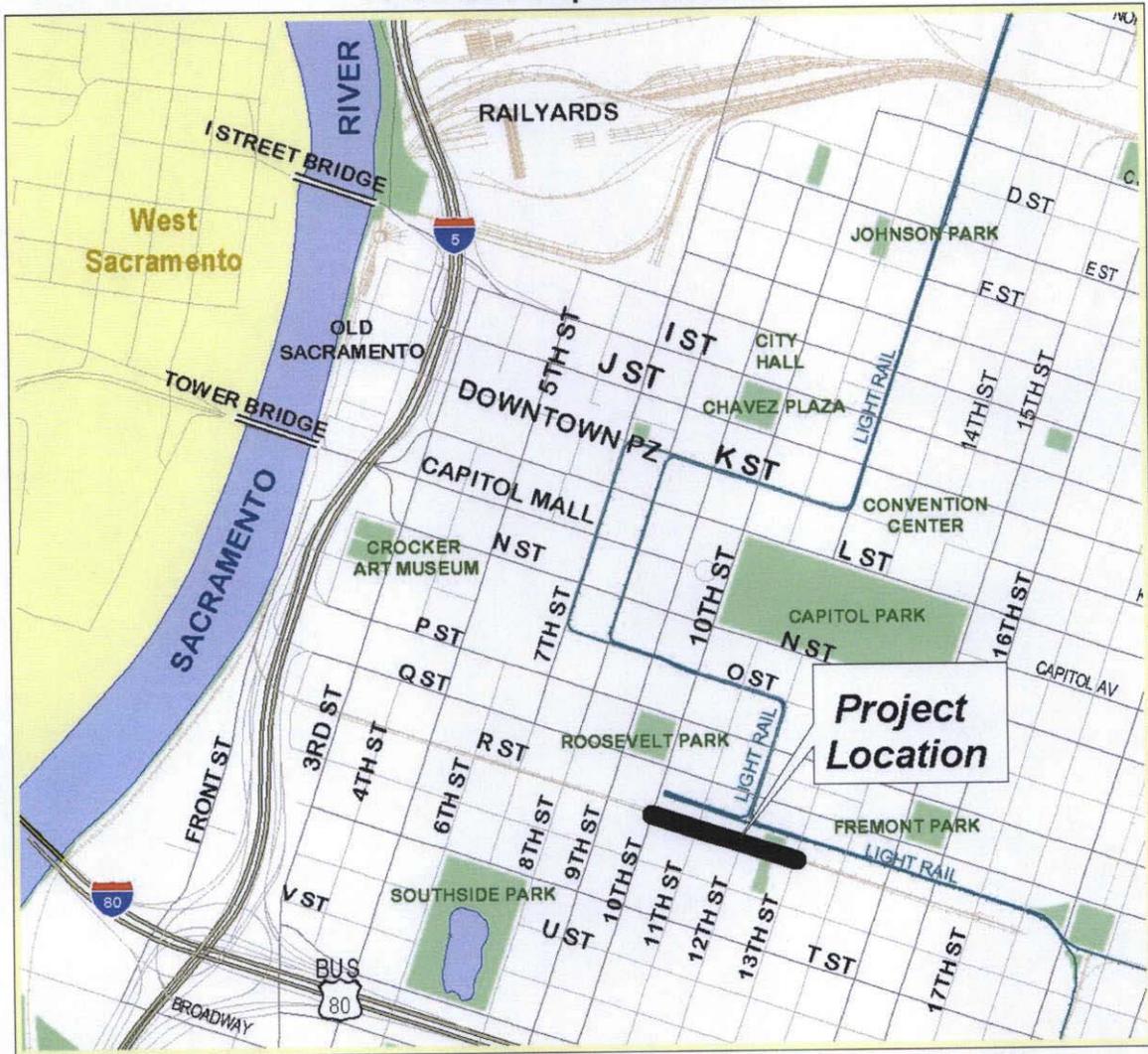
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EXHIBIT A

Location Map for

R Street Improvements



Department of
TRANSPORTATION
City of Sacramento

Map Contact: S. Tobin
Map Date: Jan, 2006

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ATTACHMENT

