



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
June 15, 2010

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

Title: North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000)

Location/Council District: North Natomas and citywide detail. Location map – Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 1)

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) establishing a new Capital Improvement Project for the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000); 2) authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the North Natomas Transportation Management Association; 3) appropriating \$165,000 (Fund 3704) in North Natomas Transportation Management Association funds; and 4) transferring \$165,000 (Fund 2013) from the Bike Trail Repair Project (K19000200) to the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000).

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Presenters: None

Department: Transportation

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 15001121

Description/Analysis

Issue: The establishment of a Capital Improvement Project (CIP) is necessary to begin work on this project, which will receive Transportation Development Act (TDA) (Fund 2013) funds as well as funding from the North Natomas Transportation Management Association (NNTMA). Execution of an agreement with the NNTMA is necessary to appropriate the funds.

In order to improve bicycle access in the district, the project proposes to construct five new mid-block crossings in North Natomas and twelve access paths from on-street bike lanes to Class I bike paths in North Natomas. This project will provide preliminary engineering, environmental documentation, final

design, and construction for the implementation of pedestrian and bicycle improvements in North Natomas.

Policy Considerations: This project is in accordance with the City Operating Principles of promoting safety and enhancing livability.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The establishment of a CIP, execution of an agreement, and appropriation and transfer of funds are not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Under CEQA general rule 15061-B-3, CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. These actions will have no effect on the environment, thus are not subject to CEQA.

Sustainability Considerations: This project is consistent with Sustainability Master Plan goals to help to enhance the pedestrian and bicycle facilities in the public right-of-way and to encourage bicycle trips. This project will help reduce dependence on automobile transportation and provide an array of transportation choices.

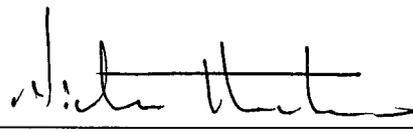
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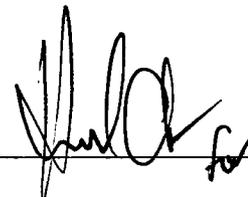
Commission/Committee Action: This expenditure was brought to the Bicycle Advisory Committee on March 9, 2010, for review and comment and it was recommended with some discussion.

Rationale for Recommendation: The City has a goal of providing bicycle improvements to enhance and fix bike paths and to increase access. The establishment of a Capital Improvement Project, execution of an agreement, and appropriation and transfer of funds is necessary to pursue this project.

Financial Considerations: The North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000) will be funded by NNTMA funds in the amount of \$165,000. In addition, the Department of Parks and Recreation has committed to providing \$165,000 in Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds (Fund 2013) from a Bike Trail Repair Project (K19000200) as a 100% match to the NNTMA funds. The total budget of \$330,000 is sufficient to design, permit, and construct the project. There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None, since no goods or services are being procured with this action.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
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Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: 
Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

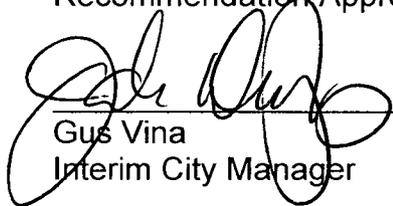

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Interim City Manager

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Attachment 1

Background

As the responsible agency, the City will deliver the connectivity project in accordance with the cooperative agreement between the City Department of Transportation (DOT) and North Natomas Transportation Management Association (NNTMA). The establishment of the Capital Improvement Project is necessary for the planning and the construction of the bicycle access fixes.

The North Natomas Transportation Management Association (NNTMA) has been advocating for improved bicycle connectivity in North Natomas. In the winter of 2009 the NNTMA coordinated with the Department of Transportation (DOT) to identify several improvements that would fix bicycle access in North Natomas by removing barriers at key locations.

One key issue is the access between off-street bike trails and on-street bike lanes. The NNTMA has requested the city provide a break in the curb in order to allow cyclist access to and from these bike facilities. The City's DOT is developing a detail for these locations for bicycle access. The NNTMA would like to see these constructed at twelve locations.

Another issue for NNTMA bicycle access is the intersection of some bike paths with existing streets. This project will construct new mid-block crossings at San Juan Road, Bridgecross Drive, and Club Center Drive, as well as Honor Parkway. These locations are subject to approval by the City Traffic Engineer.

After reviewing the City's proposed solution for the above mentioned access issues, the NNTMA board on April 7, 2010, allocated \$165,000 for the project management and construction of the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000). As a match, the Department of Parks and Recreation committed to providing \$165,000 in Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds (Fund 2013) that SACOG allocated to the City to be used for maintaining bikeways. Ed Cox, DOT's bicycle and pedestrian coordinator, brought this expenditure to the Bicycle Advisory Committee on March 9, 2010, for review and comment and it was recommended with some discussion. In summary, using these TDA funds will allow the City to leverage a dollar for dollar match with the NNTMA.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AND APPROPRIATION AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO THE NORTH NATOMAS BICYCLE CONNECTIVITY PROJECT (K15115000)

BACKGROUND

- A. As the responsible agency, the City will deliver the project in accordance with the cooperative agreement between the City Department of Transportation (DOT) and North Natomas Transportation Management Association (NNTMA). The establishment of the Capital Improvement Project is necessary for the planning and the construction of the bicycle access fixes.
- B. On April 7, 2010, the NNTMA appropriated \$165,000 in funding to the City DOT to construct bicycle access improvements. The City Manager must execute a cooperative agreement to receive these funds.
- C. The City will match the \$165,000 from the NNTMA by transferring \$165,000 in Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds (Fund 2013) from Bike Trail Repair Project (K19000200) into the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000).

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

- Section 1. The North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000) is established as a new Capital Improvement Project.
- Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement with the North Natomas Transportation Management Association for the NNTMA to provide \$165,000 (Fund 3704) in funds for the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000).
- Section 3. The FY09/10 Capital Improvement Program is amended by appropriating \$165,000 (Fund 3704) in North Natomas Transportation Management Association (NNTMA) funds to the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000).
- Section 4. The FY09/10 Capital Improvement Program is amended by transferring

\$165,000 (Fund 2013) from the Bike Trail Repair Project (K19000200) to the North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project (K15115000).

Section 5. Exhibit A is incorporated into and made part of this resolution.

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Exhibit A: Map of North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project

Location Map for North Natomas Bicycle Connectivity Project

EXHIBIT A

