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**Meeting Date:** 5/31/2011

**Report Type:** Consent

**Title:** K Street Streetscape Funding Application (B18217000)

**Report ID:** 2011-00511

**Location:** K Street between 8th Street and 12th Street, District 1

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1) authorizing staff to submit a grant application to the Federal Highway Administration for \$450,000 to complete construction documents for the K Street Streetscape Project and b) authorizing use of \$100,000 from the K Street Streetscape Capital Improvement Project (CIP B18217000, Fund 3701) for the matching funds.

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**Presenter:** None

**Department:** Economic Development Dept / Department of Transportation

**Division:** Downtown Development

**Dept ID:** 18001021

## **Attachments:**

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- 1-Description/Analysis
  - 2-Reso TCSP Grant
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## **City Attorney Review**

Approved as to Form  
Jerry Hicks  
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## **Approvals/Acknowledgements**

Department Director or Designee: Jim Rinehart - 5/20/2011 9:50:55 AM

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## Description/Analysis

**Issue:** City Council approved the K Street Streetscape Final Design in March 2008. The design plan includes improvements to K Street from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Construction of the first phase of the project on the 700 block of K Street was completed in May 2010. Phase I included a renovation of St. Rose of Lima Park, the relocation of a light rail station, new and consistent paving, enhanced lighting, the addition of street furniture and improved landscaping.

With the addition of the new entertainment venues on the 1000 block of K Street, the upcoming reintroduction of vehicles to K Street, and the proposed mixed-use development projects on the 700 and 800 blocks of K Street, it is critical to enhance the public right-of-way to complement the increased activity. It is envisioned that future phases of the K Street Streetscape project will continue the enhanced lighting, improved landscaping, and new street furnishings up K Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> streets. Staff is seeking authorization to apply for grant funding through the Federal Highway Administration "Transportation, Community, and System Preservation" grant program in order to prepare the construction documents for the remainder of the project (K Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Street).

**Policy Considerations:** The recommended action is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan goals of improving and expanding economic vitality throughout the City and the 2009-2014 Merged Downtown Implementation Plan goals of stimulating economic growth, broadening the appeal of downtown and emphasizing environmental character and public places. K Street Streetscape and Circulation was listed in the 2009-2014 Merged Downtown Implementation Plan in the Proposed Redevelopment Program. The construction of K Street Streetscape project will eliminate blight by improving inadequate public infrastructure and will stimulate additional private investment.

**Environmental Considerations:** The requested actions in this report 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, and are not subject to CEQA.

The K Street Streetscape project itself is exempt under CEQA Guidelines sections 15301 (b) operation, repair or minor alteration of existing facilities of both investor and privately owned utilities; 15301 (c) streetscape improvements such as sidewalks, lighting and landscaping and such improvements involve negligible or no expansion of capacity to accommodate vehicular traffic; 15303 (d) new construction or conversion of water main, sewage, electrical, gas and other utility extensions; and 15304 (b) new gardening and landscaping. The City filed a Notice of Exemption on June 4, 2007.

**Sustainability:** K Street includes transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, which support alternative modes of travel and decrease dependence on the private automobile.

**Commission/Committee Action:** None.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** Submission of a grant application for the K Street Streetscape Project (B18217000) will enable the City to obtain federal funding to prepare Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E) for the K Street Streetscape project.

**Financial Considerations:** The grant application requesting \$450,000 will be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program (TCSP). The TCSP Program will fund a maximum of eighty percent (80%) of the project. The required City match will be funded through a combination of \$100,000 from the K Street Streetscape Capital Improvement Project Budget (B18217000, Fund 3701) and \$25,000 in Economic Development (Downtown Division) staff time for a total project cost of \$575,000. 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.

## RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZE MATCHING FUNDS FROM K STREET STREETScape CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (B18217000)

#### BACKGROUND

- A. The City desires to enhance the economic vitality of K Street.
- B. A Capital Improvement Project Budget was already established for the K Street Streetscape Project (B18217000).
- C. City Council approved the K Street Streetscape Final Design for K Street from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 12<sup>th</sup> Street in March 2008.
- D. Construction of Phase I on the 700 block of K Street was completed in 2010.
- E. The Federal Highway Administration is currently accepting grant applications for the Transportation, Community and System Preservation Program.
- F. The K Street Streetscape Project was analyzed by the City of Sacramento in accordance with CEQA Guidelines. The City of Sacramento filed a Notice of Exemption under section 15301 (b & c), 15303 (d) and 15304 (b) on June 2, 2007.

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

- Section 1. Staff is authorized to submit a grant application to the Federal Highway Administration for the preparation of the construction documents for the K Street Streetscape project.
- Section 2. \$100,000 of required City matching funds is authorized from the K Street Streetscape Capital Improvement Project budget (B18217000, Fund 3701) and \$25,000 in Economic Development staff time.