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**Meeting Date:** 10/18/2011

**Report Type:** Consent

**Title:** J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400)

**Report ID:** 2011-00821

**Location:** J Street (42nd Street to 56th Street) and Folsom Boulevard (34th Street to 47th Street), District 3

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1) Establishing the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400); and 2) Transferring \$300,000 from the FY12 Overlay and Seal Program (R15122000) to the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400).

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**Presenter:** None

**Department:** Transportation Department

**Division:** Funding & Project Development

**Dept ID:** 15001121

## **Attachments:**

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### **City Attorney Review**

Approved as to Form  
Jerry Hicks  
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### **City Treasurer Review**

Reviewed for Impact on Cash and Debt  
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### **Approvals/Acknowledgements**

Department Director or Designee: Jerry Way - 10/7/2011 1:00:38 PM



## Description/Analysis

**Issue:** Establishment of a Capital Improvement Project (CIP) and the transfer of funds are necessary to begin work on this project. This project would reduce the number of vehicular travel lanes from four to two and add a center two-way left turn lane. It will make J Street between 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 56<sup>th</sup> Street and Folsom Boulevard between 34<sup>th</sup> Street and 47<sup>th</sup> Street consistent with the 2030 General Plan.

Currently, J Street, between 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 56<sup>th</sup> Street has four lanes (two lanes in each direction) with limited parking. J Street, west of 42<sup>nd</sup> Street has one lane in each direction with a center two-way left turn lane and parking. J Street, east of 56<sup>th</sup> Street, has two lanes in each direction with limited parking.

Folsom Boulevard between 34<sup>th</sup> Street and 47<sup>th</sup> Street currently has four lanes (two lanes in each direction) with bike lanes. Folsom Boulevard, west of 34<sup>th</sup> Street has one lane in each direction with a center two-way left turn lane and parking. Folsom Boulevard, east of 47<sup>th</sup> Street has one lane in each direction with a two-way left turn lane, parking on the south side and bike lane on the north side.

**Policy Considerations:** This project is consistent with the Policy No. M 1.2.2 of the 2030 General Plan, which will permit increased densities and mix of uses to increase transit ridership, biking, and walking, which decreases auto travel, thereby reducing air pollution, energy consumption, and greenhouse gas emissions. The project will improve neighborhood livability and improve pedestrian safety.

### Environmental Considerations:

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** The establishment of a CIP and transfer of funds is not subject to the provisions of 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 Air Quality goals to encourage cleaner air practices by decreasing auto travel and providing bike lanes to promote biking instead of driving.

**Other:** None.

**Commission/Committee Action:** None.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The establishment of a Capital Improvement Project and the transfer of funds are necessary to pursue this project.

**Financial Considerations:** The Street Overlays and Seals Program (R15122000) has a total budget and unobligated balance of \$2,889,772 consisting of local transportation funds, which is sufficient to complete the transfer of \$300,000 (Fund 2002) to the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400). The Overlays and Seals Program will fund the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400) because the implementation will be done as part of the City's Fiscal Year 2012/13 annual resurfacing program.

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



## Background

The City of Sacramento's 2030 General Plan recognizes the importance of developing a first class, efficient, multimodal transportation network that minimizes or eliminates negative impacts to the environment and neighborhoods. The Mobility Element of the General Plan contains policies that will create a well-connected transportation network, make walking more practical for short trips, and support bicycling for both short and long distance trips.

J Street (42<sup>nd</sup> Street to 56<sup>th</sup> Street): this segment of J Street is currently a four lane facility (two through lanes in each direction), with no left turn lanes, limited parking and no bike lanes. Converting this segment of J Street from four lanes to two through lanes, with a center two-way left-turn lane, is consistent with the 2030 General Plan (the Mobility Element Section).

Folsom Boulevard (34<sup>th</sup> Street to 47<sup>th</sup> Street): this segment of Folsom Boulevard is currently a four-lane facility, with no left turn lanes and inconsistent bike lanes. Converting this segment of Folsom Boulevard from four lanes to two through lanes, with a center two-way left-turn lane and bike lanes, is consistent with the 2030 General Plan (the Mobility Element Section).

Roadway analysis was conducted in conjunction with preparation of the General Plan, to determine the potential impacts of reducing the number of through lanes from four to two lanes on J Street and Folsom Boulevard. Reducing the number of lanes from four to two through lanes and one two-way left turn lane, according to the General Plan analysis will result in a Level of Service (LOS) E-F for both of these segments. However, based on the General Plan Policy No. M 1.2.2, the two roadway segments are exempt from the level of service standard provided that the project will improve other parts of the transportation system-wide roadway capacity, make intersection improvements, or enhance non-auto travel modes in furtherance of the General Plan goals. Intersection analysis along both roadway segments will be done as part of this project.

J Street and Folsom Boulevard Improvements are scheduled to be resurfaced in 2013 as part of the regularly scheduled street maintenance. Because restriping is required with any resurfacing project, the J Street and Folsom Boulevard improvements identified by the General Plan can be implemented at a minimal cost as part of the regularly scheduled maintenance.

Given the public interest in this project, coordination and active outreach to the community and key stakeholders will be needed.



## RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### J & FOLSOM, LANE CONVERSION PROJECT (T15125400)

#### BACKGROUND

- A. The City of Sacramento's 2030 General Plan recognizes the importance of developing a first class, efficient, multimodal transportation network that minimizes or eliminates negative impacts to the environment and neighborhoods.
- B. This project proposes to reduce the number of through lanes on J Street (42<sup>nd</sup> Street to 56<sup>th</sup> Street) and Folsom Boulevard (34<sup>th</sup> Street to 47<sup>th</sup> Street) from four lanes to two lanes with a center two-way left-turn lane. The conversion is consistent with the 2030 General Plan.
- C. This project will be implemented with the City's annual resurfacing project at minimal cost.
- D. There is sufficient funding in the Street Overlays and Seals Program (R15122000) to provide funding for T15125400.

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

- Section 1. The J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400) is established as a new Capital Improvement Project.
- Section 2. The FY2011/12 Capital Improvement Program budget is amended by transferring \$300,000 (Fund 2002) from the Street Overlays and Seals Program (R15122000) to the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400).
- Section 3. Exhibit A is hereby incorporated into and is a part of this Resolution.

#### **Table of Contents:**

- Exhibit A: Map of the J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400)



# Location Map for J & Folsom, Lane Conversion Project (T15125400)

