



City of Sacramento City Council

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Meeting Date: 5/8/2012

Report Type: Consent

Title: 16th Street Streetscape Plan Project (T15116600)

Report ID: 2012-00232

Location: 16th Street from "S" Street to Capitol Avenue/"N" Street Alley, District 4

Recommendation: Pass a Resolution: 1) approving the categorical exemption for 16th Street Streetscape Plan; and 2) approving 30% plans which include locations for bulbouts, curb extensions, and street lighting.

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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
 Gerald Hicks
 4/30/2012 8:54:15 AM

City Treasurer Review

Reviewed for Impact on Cash and Debt
 Russell Fehr
 4/25/2012 9:19:53 AM

Approvals/Acknowledgements

Department Director or Designee: Jerry Way - 4/26/2012 6:08:08 PM

Description/Analysis

Issue: The approval of the environmental finding and 30% plans is necessary to begin work on final design and to construct the project.

In order to improve the streetscape and pedestrian friendliness of 16th Street, the City evaluated a conceptual plan provided by Capitol Area Development Authority (CADA) and then developed 30% design plans and completed environmental review for streetscape improvements on 16th Street from “S” Street to the Capitol Avenue/ “N” Street alley.

Policy Considerations: This project is in accordance with the City Operating Principles of promoting safety and enhancing livability. This project complies with the General Plan goal M.2.1.3 for Streetscape Design which states the City shall require that pedestrian-oriented streets be designed to provide a pleasant environment for walking including shade trees; plantings; well-designed benches, trash receptacles, news racks, and other furniture; pedestrian-scaled lighting fixtures; wayfinding signage; integrated transit shelters; public art; and other amenities.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services Division (EPS) reviewed this project and determined that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA (the California Environmental Quality Act). The project is consistent with Section 15303, which includes the construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made. The project is consistent with Section 15331, which consists of projects limited to preservation of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

Sustainability Considerations: This project is consistent with Sustainability Master Plan goals to help to enhance pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way. The streetscape plan will also be evaluating the feasibility of constructing storm water planters on 16th Street.

Other: None.

Commission/Committee Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: The City has a goal of improving the walking environment. The approval of the 30% plans is necessary for the project to move forward with final design and construction.

Financial Considerations: The 16th Street Streetscape Plan (T15116600) 30% plan and environmental clearance was funded by CADA funds in the amount of \$160,000. As of April 10, 2012, there is a \$35,945 unobligated balance in the CIP. City staff will

seek additional funding from CADA to complete final design for this 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.



Background

In 1997 Capitol Area Development Authority (CADA), the City of Sacramento, the State of California, and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) sponsored a streetscape planning study addressing the entire length of 16th Street. While funds were not made available at that time to make possible further design work or implementation of the study's suggestions, the study helped CADA provide limited streetscape design guidance to developers within its area of jurisdiction, which includes 16th Street from "L" to "S" Street.

Building on the preliminary planning work of 1997, CADA is now leading an effort to design and make physical improvements to the public right-of-way of 16th Street between the Capitol Avenue/"N" Street Alley and "S" Streets. The first step was to prepare a conceptual streetscape plan that will result in a more complete, more environmentally sustainable, and more walkable street as it is implemented. An upgraded 16th Street will improve the pedestrian experience and more directly mark 16th Street as a spine of a unique and desirable mixed-use district.

In October 2009, the CADA Board reviewed and commented on the recommended design concepts for proposed upgrades to the 16th Street streetscape within the CADA area. CADA then prepared a draft concept plan that included their recommended design for 16th Street and outlined a suggested implementation strategy for installation of the proposed upgrades. The Board reviewed and accepted the Concept Plan substantially as to form in June 2010.

On January 18, 2011, the City Council directed staff to move forward with the preparation of 30% construction drawings and the associated CEQA environmental review, and entered into a memorandum of understanding with CADA to fund this effort. Staff has prepared 30% plans and finished the CEQA review. With the approval of the CEQA finding and the 30% plans, staff will continue to coordinate with CADA to pursue future grant funding for final design and the construction of the improvements.

The 30% plans show the preliminary design of new streetscape enhancements along the corridor: including new streetlights, curb extensions, landscaping, and traffic signal upgrades. Upon securing additional funding, staff will move forward with final design.



RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

APPROVAL OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING AND 30% PLANS FOR THE 16TH STREET STREETScape PLAN – “S” STREET TO CAPITOL AVENUE/”N” STREET ALLEY (T15116600)

BACKGROUND

- A. The project is consistent with CEQA Section 15303, which includes the construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; the conversion of existing small structures from one use to another where only minor modifications are made. The project is consistent with CEQA Section 15331, which consists of projects limited to preservation of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.
- B. The Department of Transportation has developed 30% plans which include bulbouts, curb extensions, new street lightings, upgrades to the existing signals, and identify locations for future landscaping along 16th Street from “S” Street to the Capitol Mall/ “N” Street alley.

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

- Section 1. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption under Sections 15301 and 15331 for the construction of the 16th Street Streetscape Plan is approved.
- Section 2. The 30% plans which include locations for bulbouts, curb extensions, and street lighting are approved.
- Section 3. Exhibit A and Exhibit B are hereby incorporated into and is a part of this Resolution.

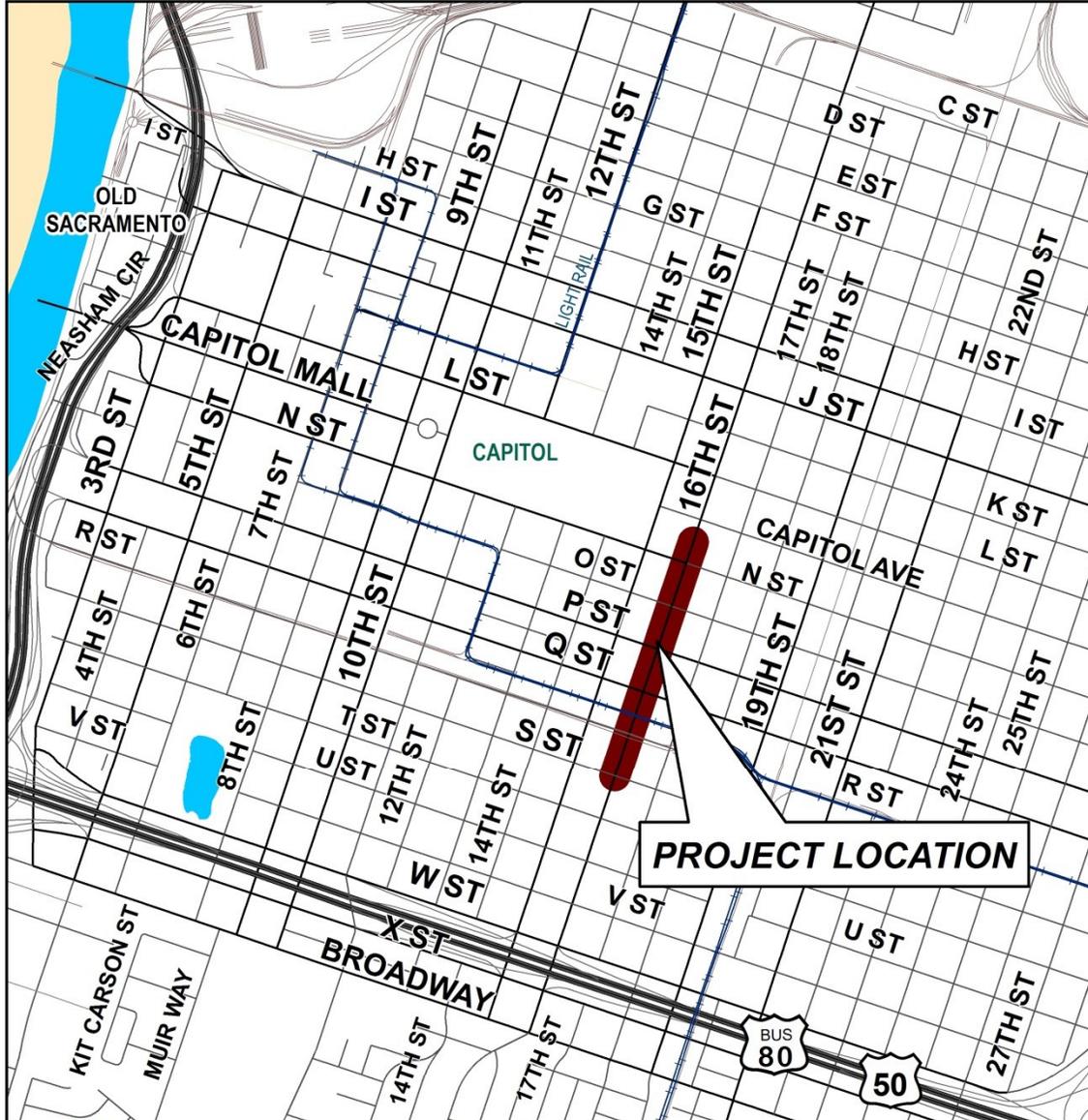
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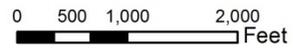


EXHIBIT A

Location Map for 16th Street Streetscape Plan (T15116600)

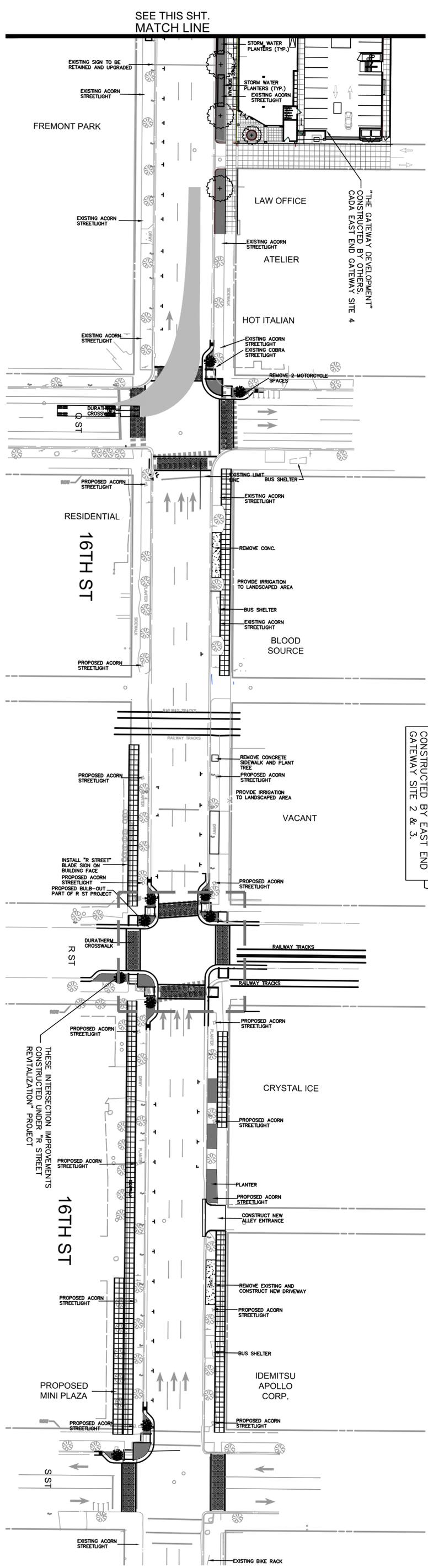
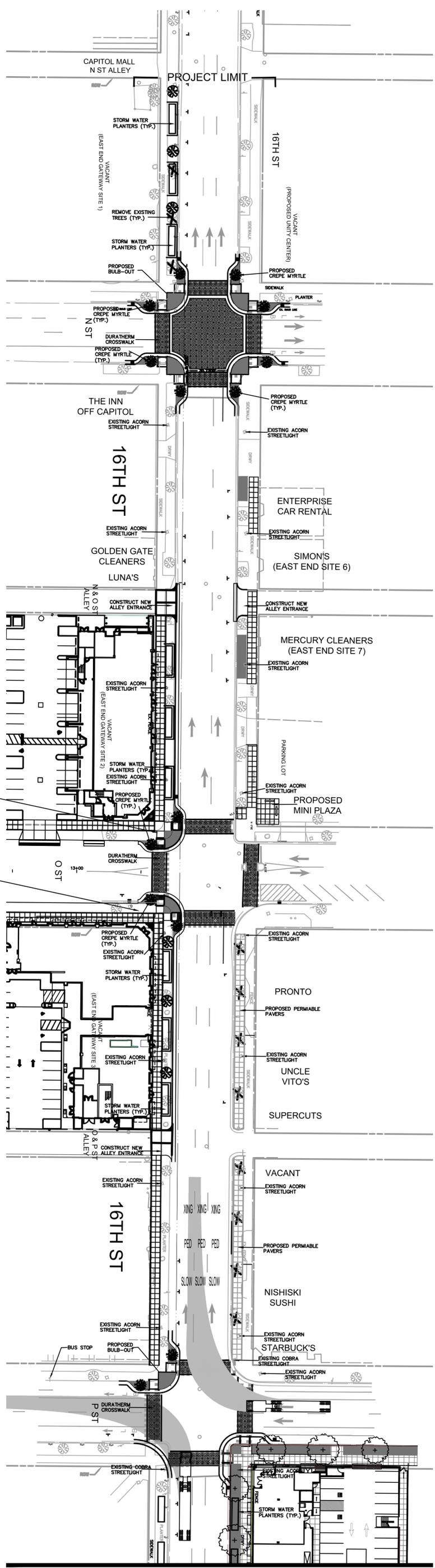


Map Contact: S. Tobin; Map Date: APRIL/12





16TH STREET STREETSCAPE - CALLEGAL TURNING TEMPLATE



NO.	REVISIONS	DATE	BY	BENCH MARK	ELEV.

FIELD BOOK	SCALE	DRAWN BY:	DESIGNED BY:	CHECKED BY:
	HORIZ. 1"=40'	K. CHAHAL	TECHNICIAN	J. GOHMAN
	VERT. 1"=10'	AUG 2011	R.C.E. 99999	DATE YEAR

CITY OF SACRAMENTO	
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
CONCEPTUAL LAYOUT FOR	
16TH STREET STREETSCAPE 30% PLANS	
CAPITOL MALL / N STREET ALLEY TO S STREET	

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