



City of Sacramento City Council

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Meeting Date: 6/26/2012

Report Type: Consent

Title: 5th Street Extension California Public Utilities Commission Approval

Report ID: 2012-00561

Location: Downtown Railyards, District 3

Recommendation: Pass a Resolution authorizing the Director of Transportation to apply to the California Utilities Commission for an Order Authorizing Construction of an At-Grade Crossing of the Sacramento Regional Transit Tracks for the 5th Street Extension Project.

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Presenter: None

Department: Transportation Department

Division: Construction Inspect & Survey

Dept ID: 15001141

Attachments:

- 1- Description/Analysis
- 2 - Background Information
- 3 - Resolution

City Attorney Review

Approved as to Form
Gerald Hicks
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City Treasurer Review

Reviewed for Impact on Cash and Debt
Russell Fehr
6/11/2012 9:57:42 AM

Approvals/Acknowledgements

Department Director or Designee: Jerry Way - 6/11/2012 1:52:15 PM



Description/Analysis:

Issue: To complete the extension of 5th Street from Downtown Sacramento through the Railyards, the City requires approval from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for an at-grade crossing over the light rail tracks at H Street.

Policy Considerations: Extension of 5th Street is consistent with the City's General Plan and Railyards Specific Plan.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The 5th and 6th Street extensions were included as part of the Railyards development project and the environmental impact report was certified in December of 2007.

Sustainability Considerations: The Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) grant funded improvements have been reviewed for consistency with the Sustainability Master Plan and the 2030 General Plan. The improvements comply with many of the goals as 5th Street will provide new roadway and pedestrian crossing of the relocated Union Pacific Railroad tracks and helps to reduce trip length and encourage pedestrian trips.

Other: None.

Committee/Commission Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: The actions are recommended to proceed with construction of the extension of 5th Street in the Sacramento Railyards.

Financial Considerations: The Railyard TOD Proposition 1C Project (T15105200) is funded through a State Proposition 1C TOD infrastructure grant. The project is being constructed by IA Sacramento, LLC through a subrecipient agreement with the City. The project has a total balance of \$17,000,000 in State Funds. As of June 4, 2012, a total of \$6,447,416 has been billed to the State for construction of the 5th Street overcrossing.

There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable for this action. ESBD requirements will be included as part of the construction contract.

▣background

The City submitted an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for an infrastructure grant under the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Housing Program. The City entered into a sub-recipient agreement with Thomas Enterprises, and then subsequently IA Sacramento, LLC; for construction of the 5th Street Overcrossing and Roadway.

The Overcrossing/Bridge portion is complete. The roadway connection to the north and south can be completed when final design is approved; the main line tracks have been relocated (currently underway as a separate project). The extension of 5th Street will cross the light rail tracks at grade, which requires California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) approval.

This report requests authorization for the City to submit an application to the CPUC for this crossing.



RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION TO APPLY TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF AN AT-GRADE CROSSING OF THE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT TRACKS FOR THE 5TH STREET EXTENSION PROJECT

BACKGROUND

- A. The City has an approved Proposition 1C Transit Oriented Development Grant to fund the design and construction of the extension of 5th Street. The 5th Street Overcrossing portion has been completed, and the City intends to partner with IA Sacramento, LLC to complete construction of the 5th Street roadway extension.
- B. In order to proceed with construction of the 5th Street extension, the City requires an Order from the California Public Utilities Commission authorizing construction of an at-grade crossing of the light rail tracks.

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

- Section 1. The Director of Transportation is hereby authorized to apply to the California Public Utilities Commission for an Order authorizing construction of an at-grade crossing of the Sacramento Regional Transit light rail tracks at 5th and H Streets.