



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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CONSENT  
**September 13, 2005**

Honorable Mayor and  
 Members of the City Council

**Subject:** Agreement: Freeport Boulevard/21<sup>st</sup> Street Two-Way Conversion Project  
 (PN: SL01)

**Location/Council District:** Freeport Boulevard – Broadway to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 21<sup>st</sup> Street – W Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Location map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (Districts 4 and 5)

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution: 1) authorizing the City Manager to execute a Consultant Services Agreement with Wood Rodgers in the amount of \$338,047.

**Contact:** Nader Kamal, Special Projects Engineer, 808-7035; Tim Mar, Supervising Engineer, 808-7531

**Presenters:** None

**Department:** Department of Transportation

**Division:** Engineering Services Division

**Organization No:** 3434

**Summary:**

This project will convert 21<sup>st</sup> Street from one-way to two-way operations between W Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and convert Freeport Boulevard from one-way to two-way operations between Broadway and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

A consultant selection process to provide final design has been completed. Wood Rodgers is the top rated consultant. It is recommended that the City Manager be authorized to execute a Consultant Services Agreement in the amount of \$338,047 with Wood Rodgers to provide final design and community involvement for the project.

**Committee/Commission Action:** None.



### **Background Information:**

In 1998, a conversion study was performed when Freeport Boulevard (SR160) was under Caltrans jurisdiction. Further work on the project was put on hold until the relinquishment of Freeport Boulevard from Caltrans to the City was completed. Upon roadway relinquishment to the City in August 2001, staff began evaluating the feasibility of converting Freeport Boulevard from Vallejo Way to W Street, and 21<sup>st</sup> Street from 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to W Street from one-way to two-way streets.

In January 2002, a traffic consultant was retained to begin work on this project. A community work group was formed to review the prior study, provide input to items that needed to be reevaluated and added to improve safety, enhance area circulation and neighborhood access. Community meetings were held in July 2002 and November 2002 to inform the community of the project and gather input and comments on the various alternatives being considered.

In April 2003, City Council directed staff to prepare an Environmental Impact Report for a preferred project alternative for Freeport Boulevard and 21<sup>st</sup> Street and evaluate other roadway alternatives. A Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was prepared and public comments were received on August 5, 2004.

On October 19, 2004, the City Council adopted a resolution:

- Certifying an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), adopting Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations, and adopting the Mitigation Monitoring Plan;
- Approving a Project Alternative for Freeport Boulevard and 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Freeport Boulevard would provide one lane, parking and a Class III bikeway in each direction. 21<sup>st</sup> Street would provide one lane, parking and a Class II (striped) bikeway in each direction;
- Approving the "Restricted Turn Island" design which would reduce potential cut through traffic on streets east of 21<sup>st</sup> Street;
- Amending the City of Sacramento Bikeway Master Plan;
- Approving a One Year - Post Project Monitoring Period; and
- Directing staff to proceed with the design phase.

Staff prepared a Request for Proposals to provide final design and community involvement in June 2005. One firm, Wood Rodgers, responded with a proposal. A consultant selection panel reviewed their proposal and conducted an interview with the Wood Rodgers team. Based on this review, the panel deemed the Wood Rodgers team to be highly qualified to complete the project.

The first major project milestone is to submit a draft Public Utilities Commission (PUC) application in early November 2005 and a final PUC application by early February 2006. Design of the project would be completed in February 2007 and will be ready for bid advertisement if construction funds are identified.

**Financial Considerations:**

The design budget is \$420,000. As of August 22, 2005, the project has an unobligated balance of \$417,825, which is sufficient to execute the agreement with Wood Rodgers and to cover staff costs through final design.

The estimated total cost of the project is in the range of \$1.6 to \$2.5 million. Costs vary due to the uncertainty of improvements that will be required by the PUC. It is anticipated that up to \$2.1 million of additional funds will be needed to fully implement the project. Required fund appropriations will be brought to Council prior to submitting a final PUC application.

**Environmental Considerations:**

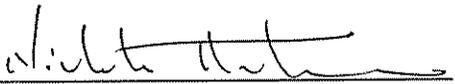
An Environmental Impact Report for the project was certified by City Council on October 14, 2004.

**Policy Considerations:**

The action requested herein is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan to improve public safety and preserve the neighborhoods.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):**

The ESBD goal is 20%. Wood Rodgers is not an ESBD consultant. However, it has achieved 20.10% ESBD subconsultant participation.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
Nicholas Theocharides  
Engineering Services Manager

Approved by:   
Marty Hanneman  
Director, Department of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

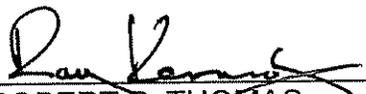
  
ROBERT B. THOMAS  
City Manager

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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### **APPROVING CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WOOD RODGERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$338,047 TO PROVIDE FINAL DESIGN AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT FOR THE FREEPORT BOULEVARD/21<sup>ST</sup> STREET TWO-WAY CONVERSION PROJECT (PN: SL01)**

#### **BACKGROUND**

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

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute a Consultant Services Agreement in the amount of \$338,047 with Wood Rodgers to provide final design and community involvement services for the 21<sup>st</sup> Street/Freeport Boulevard Two-Way Conversion Project (PN: SL01)

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Exhibit A: Map of 21<sup>st</sup> Street/Freeport Boulevard Two-Way Conversion Project (PN: SL01)

Location Map for  
Freeport Boulevard / 21st Street  
Two-Way Conversion Project (PN: SL01)

