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REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
NOVEMBER 22, 2005

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Establish CIP for the Preparation of a Project Study Report (PSR) to Identify the ultimate improvements needed at West El Camino / Interstate 80 (I-80) Interchange and Appropriate Funds.

Location/Council District: The interchange improvements are located at the existing West El Camino / I-80 interchange. Location Map – Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 1)

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution establishing a new Capital Improvement Project (CIP) for the West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange Improvements Project (PN: TR36) and appropriating funds.

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Presenters: None

Department: Department of Transportation

Division: Engineering Services

Organization No: 3435

Summary:

Staff requests that the City Council establish a CIP and appropriate funds necessary to prepare a PSR for the West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange improvements. This represents the first step for the City in moving forward in compliance with the terms of the 1995 cooperative agreement between the City of Sacramento and the California State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for this location. The agreement with Caltrans is related to agreed improvements along the I-5 and I-80 corridors as a result of the North Natomas Development.

Committee/Commission Action: None.

Background Information:

In 1995 the City entered into a cooperative agreement (City Agreement No. 95-217) with Caltrans related to various freeway improvements. The timing and sequence of when these improvements would be needed was impossible to predict because of the unpredictability in the pattern of development in North Natomas. In recognition of this unpredictability, the agreement implemented an annual traffic monitoring program that outlines when certain project development activities should begin based on results of the traffic monitoring. This approach gives the City flexibility to respond to changing development patterns in the area. The program began in 1996 and monitors traffic levels and operating conditions at specific locations identified in the agreement on an annual basis. The results of the last couple of years indicate that the City should be moving forward with a plan to implement the improvements listed in the agreement at the West El Camino and I-80 interchange. For this reason, the Department of Transportation is proposing to prepare a PSR for the West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange Improvements Project (PN: TR36) as required by the agreement.

Financial Considerations:

There will be no impact to the General Fund. Completion of a PSR for the West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange Improvements Project (PN: TR36) is estimated at $500,000. The North Natomas development impact fees (Fund 780) will solely fund this PSR with available funds. Staff is requesting to appropriate $500,000 from the North Natomas development impact fees (Fund 780).

Environmental Considerations:

This activity is not considered a project as defined by Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. The activity does not involve physical construction and has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment (CEQA Section 15061(b)(3)).

Policy Considerations:

Approval is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan goals to enhance and preserve the neighborhoods and improve and diversify the transportation system

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):

None.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____
Nicholas Theocharides
Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: _____
Marty Hanneman
Director, Department of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

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ROBERT R. THOMAS
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

ESTABLISHING A CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR THE WEST EL CAMINO / I-80 INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

BACKGROUND

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B. To begin work on this project a CIP must be established and funds must be appropriated to the CIP.

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

Section 1. The West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange improvements Project (PN: TR36) is established as a new Capital Improvement Project.

Section 2. The FY05/06 Capital Improvements Program is amended by appropriating $500,000 from the North Natomas development impact fees (Fund 780) to the West El Camino Avenue and I-80 Interchange Improvements Project (PN: TR36).

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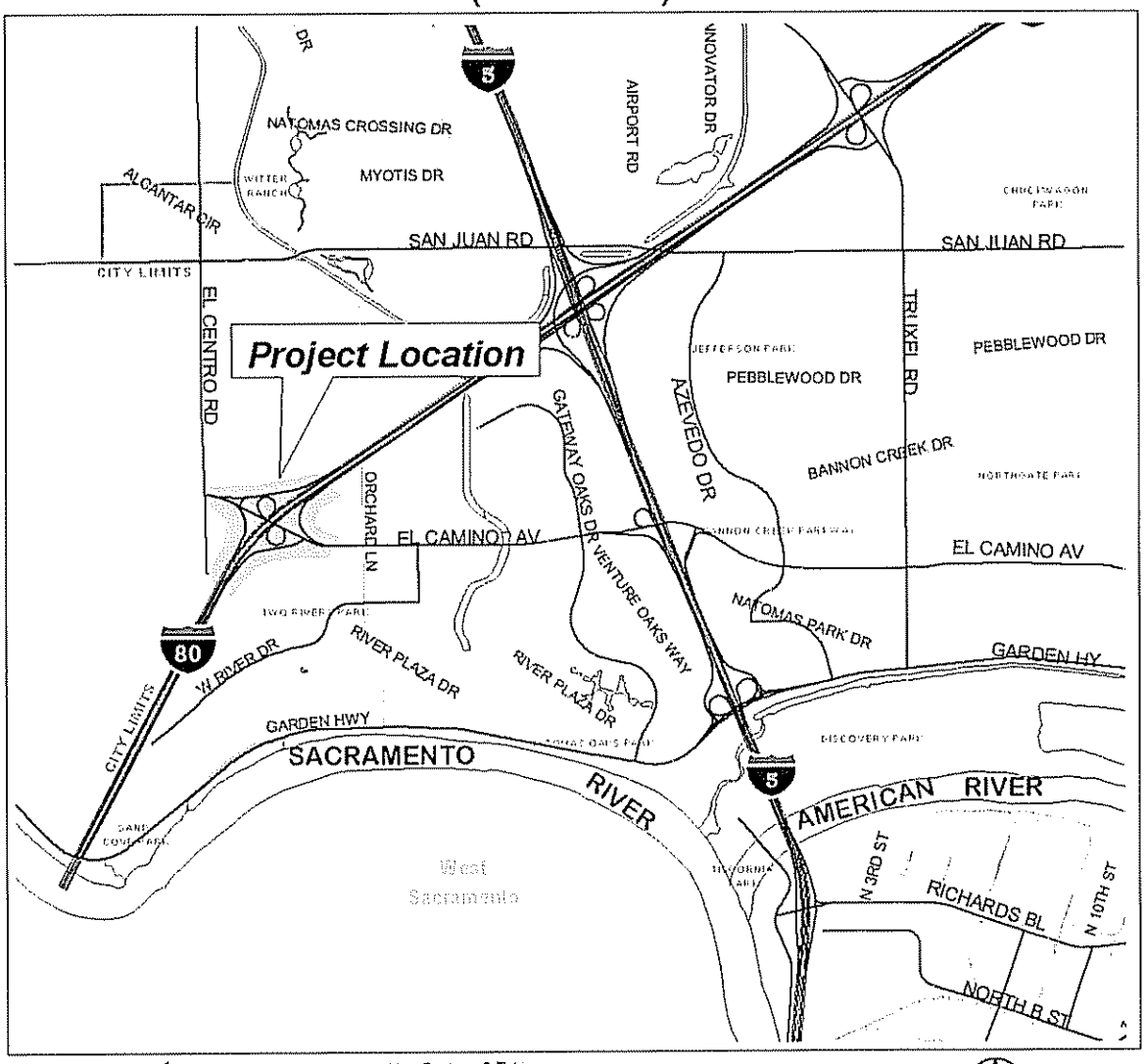
EXHIBIT A

Location Map for

West El Camino / Interstate 80 Interchange (PN: TR36)



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Map Contact: S Tobin
Map Date: Oct 2005

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