

CITY OF OAKLAND
AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Deborah Edgerly
FROM: Community and Economic Development Agency
DATE: September 11, 2007

RE: **Resolution Authorizing The City Of Oakland To Accept And Appropriate A Grant In The Amount Of Two Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000.00) From The Alameda County Congestion Management Agency Transportation Improvement Program (ACCMA TIP) For The 73rd Avenue And Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Project And Waiving The 1.5% Public Art Fee**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, or her designee, to accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$275,000.00 from the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency Transportation Improvement Program (ACCMA TIP).

The ACCMA TIP funds will be used for the design and construction of a traffic signal at the intersection of 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue. The improvements include installation of vehicular video detection system, emergency vehicle preemption, combined audible and tactile pedestrian push buttons, countdown pedestrian signal heads, illuminated street name signs, and curb ramps. The project is located in Council District 6.

FISCAL IMPACTS

The project cost is estimated at \$275,000.00. Approval of this resolution will allow the City to accept and appropriate \$275,000.00 in grant funding from the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (ACCMA). These funds will be deposited into the County of Alameda Grants Fund (2160); Traffic Engineering Organization (92246); and a new project number to be established. No matching funds are required.

The required allocations for Contract Compliance will be set-aside in the appropriate accounts upon approval of this resolution. The City's 1.5% public art fee is not an eligible expense under ACCMA TIP guidelines. No public art is incorporated as part of this project, since it is exclusively a roadway safety project. For this reason, staff requests that this fee be waived for this project.

Implementation of this project will increase annual operation and maintenance costs by an estimated \$3,500.00.

BACKGROUND

In early 2006, the Public Works Agency, Transportation Services Division submitted an application for the 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Project to ACCMA in

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response to a call for local streets and roads rehabilitation and/or safety projects for programming into the ACCMA TIP. The ACCMA notified the City in writing of the grant approval in the amount of \$275,000.00 in December, 2006. Since then staff has been working on the project and established a work order to capture staff time for future reimbursement according to the guidelines of ACCMA TIP. ACCMA established the TIP to give project sponsors flexibility to expedite project delivery by using local funds.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

The primary goal of this project is to improve vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle safety and access at the intersection of 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue. During the selection period, the intersection of 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue ranked 8th on the signal need priority list for streets within the City's right-of-way, and it was next on line for funding. In addition, there were requests for pedestrian signals from the disabled community through the Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities, Mobility and Accessibility Committee. 73rd Avenue is a four lane street with relatively high vehicular speed and high volume of pedestrians crossing to access the Eastmont Town Center and AC Transit bus stops. Acceptance and appropriation of the funds will allow the Transportation Services Division (TSD) to establish a new project and proceed with the traffic signal design and construction.

The project is currently under design and is scheduled to be advertised for construction in November, 2007. Construction is anticipated to begin in May, 2008 and be completed in the summer of 2008.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of a new traffic signal at 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue. The new traffic signal project will consist of, but not limited to, the installation of vehicular video detection system, emergency vehicle preemption, combined audible and tactile pedestrian push buttons, countdown pedestrian signal heads, illuminated street name signs, and curb ramps.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: Project implementation provides the opportunity to use local contractors that offer employment to Oakland residents, thereby strengthening the local economy.

Environmental: The project will improve pedestrian safety and encourage walking, thereby reducing vehicle emissions, noise pollution, and fuel consumption. The City's construction contract guidelines encourage the use of recyclable materials and waste reduction.

Social Equity: This project will provide greater accessibility and safety to persons who depend on walking and public transit to access jobs and services, such as senior citizens, persons with disabilities, and children.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

This project includes accessibility improvements such as combined audible and tactile pedestrian pushbuttons and wheelchair ramps with detectable warning domes to assist persons with disabilities and seniors alike.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND RATIONALE

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$275,000.00 from the ACCMA TIP for the 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Project. The project will significantly improve vehicular and pedestrian safety and access.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff requests that Council approve the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

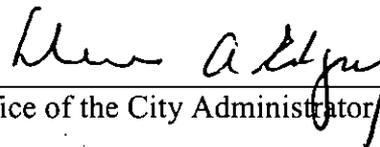


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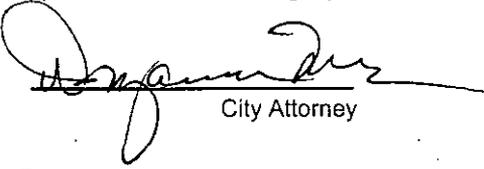


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City Attorney

2007 AUG 30 PM 3:04 RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF OAKLAND TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$275,000.00) FROM THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CONGESTION MANAGEMENT AGENCY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (ACCMA TIP) FOR THE 73RD AVENUE AND GARFIELD AVENUE TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT AND WAIVING THE 1.5% PUBLIC ART FEE

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (ACCMA) is responsible for disbursing grant funds to local jurisdictions for projects that improve local streets and roads rehabilitation and/or safety projects for programming into the ACCMA TIP; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland identified a project for said grant totaling \$275,000.00 in design and construction costs for a traffic signal at the intersection of 73rd Avenue and Garfield Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland applied and was awarded ACCMA TIP funds in the amount of \$275,000.00; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council authorize the City Administrator, or her designee, to accept and appropriate the ACCMA TIP grant funds within the County of Alameda Grants Fund (2160); Transportation Services Division Organization (92246); and Project number to be established in the amount of \$275,000.00; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That pursuant to Public Art Ordinance No. 11086, section 3.E, which provides for waiver of the Public Art Fee, the City Council waives the 1.5% Public Art Fee for the 73rd and Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator, or her designee, is authorized, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to execute and submit all documents, payment requests, and related actions, as well as to appropriate any additional grant funds received for the completion of this project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That necessary associated agreements shall be reviewed and approved by the Office of the City Attorney and shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20__

PASSED THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California