



STAFF REPORT

CITY of YORBA LINDA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

DATE: FEBRUARY 1, 2022

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF YORBA LINDA AND CITY OF ANAHEIM FOR COST SHARE, FUNDING AND ENGINEERING OF YORBA LINDA BOULEVARD/WEIR CANYON ROAD WIDENING FROM LA PALMA AVENUE TO SANTA ANA CANYON ROAD

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to sign the Cooperative Agreement between City of Yorba Linda and City of Anaheim for cost share, funding and engineering of Yorba Linda Boulevard/Weir Canyon Road widening from La Palma Avenue to Santa Ana Canyon Road Project SI211002 (Project); and
2. Approve a supplemental budget appropriation of \$245,475 from the General Fund Reserves with a corresponding increase to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project budget, with the understanding that an equal amount will be returned to the Fund balance upon reimbursement by the City of Anaheim after completion of the Project.

BACKGROUND

On November 5, 2019, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2019-5641, authorizing the submission of the City's application for Comprehensive Transportation Funding Program (CTFP) funds for the Yorba Linda Boulevard/Weir Canyon Road widening from La Palma Avenue to Santa Ana Canyon Road Project within the Cities of Yorba Linda and Anaheim. On May 11, 2020, the project was selected by OCTA and was awarded \$1,636,500 in 2020 Measure M2 Regional Capacity Program "Project O" (Grant) funds. The total cost of the Project is estimated at \$2,182,000 which includes a 25% local match amount of \$545,500.

DISCUSSION

The project includes some of the following key improvements:

- Add a fourth northbound travel lane (widen the bridge over the Santa Ana River) on Yorba Linda Boulevard between La Palma Avenue and Savi Ranch Parkway;
- Add a cycle track/pedestrian walkway on the east side Yorba Linda Boulevard between La Palma Avenue and Savi Ranch Parkway;

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- Traffic signal modifications along Yorba Linda Blvd. at La Palma Avenue and Savi Ranch Parkway; and
- Widen Weir Canyon Road to provide an additional southbound right-turn lane at Santa Ana Canyon Road.

The City of Anaheim has and continues to be a cooperative partner on this project as some of the proposed improvements are within Anaheim's city boundary. In addition, Anaheim has been providing and will continue to provide for the operations & maintenance costs for the signalized intersections of Yorba Linda Blvd. at Savi Ranch Parkway, Yorba Linda Blvd. at La Palma, and Wier Canyon at Santa Ana Canyon Road. These costs equate to approximately \$50,000 annually. They will also provide all right-of-way necessary for this project, at no cost to the project, should they be the underlying property owner.

Yorba Linda will act as the lead agency for this project, providing for the engineering design phase and project management, and all future phases. Through OCTA, Yorba Linda has secured \$1,636,500 in Grant funding for the engineering design phase, contingent upon Yorba Linda providing the requisite 25% Local Matching Funds of \$545,500.

The City of Anaheim has indicated its willingness to provide a portion of the Local Matching Funds equal to approximately \$245,475. For the engineering design phase, the cost share percentages are based upon proposed physical work within each city boundary, with the exception of the widening of the Yorba Linda Boulevard Bridge over the Santa Ana River. Should the cooperative agreement be approved by the City of Yorba Linda on February 1, 2022, Anaheim will schedule the subject cooperative agreement for their City Council consideration on February 15, tentatively.

In parallel to the design efforts, staff is actively pursuing Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Local Partnership Program (LPP), OCTA CTFP grant funding and also tracking future grant opportunities such as those within the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) to essentially significantly reduce/zero out the future costs of the future project phases (ie. right-of-way and construction).

FISCAL IMPACT

Substantial funding for the Project is available in the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 CIP budget for Project SI211002. The current project budget is comprised of \$1,636,500 in Measure M2 Regional Capacity Program "Project O" (Grant) funds and \$300,025 in Gas Tax (Local) funds. Approval of this report will result in an additional appropriation of \$245,475 from the General fund, which will increase the local match percentage to the required 25% threshold of \$545,500. Further, this appropriation will result in a revised overall project budget that matches the anticipated total project cost of \$2,182,000. It should be noted that the entirety of the current \$245,475 appropriation will be backfilled by Anaheim's fair share project contribution via a reimbursement to Yorba Linda at the completion of the Project.

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ALTERNATIVES

Do not authorize the City Manager to sign the Cooperative Agreement. However, it is not recommended as it will delay the project completion.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Cooperative agreement between City of Yorba Linda and City of Anaheim
2. Exhibits A and B to the Cooperative Agreement (Project Limits, Costs and Fair share)