

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** SEPTEMBER 12, 2005

THROUGH: FINANCE COMMITTEE

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A JOURNAL VOUCHER AMENDING
PROJECTS IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2006 CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve a journal voucher in the amount of \$1,180,002 amending twelve projects in the Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Improvement Program as detailed on Attachment A;
2. Amend the Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Improvement Program budget to add back the *Purchase Seven Alternative Fuel, Medium Duty Transit Vehicles – (75058)* project to the budget; and,
3. Approve the attached resolution with the County of Los Angeles Regional Park and Open Space District moving the Proposition A funding from the Jefferson Park – Picnic Area project to the Jefferson Park Restroom Project.

BACKGROUND

As part of the process to update the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget, the Department of Public Works has completed this report detailing necessary budget adjustments. The budget adjustments are needed due to changes in the status of various capital projects. The budgetary changes to the projects are listed below and must be recognized through the City's journal voucher process to formalize the changes. The changes are summarized in Attachment A.

1. **Walnut Street Improvements from Foothill Boulevard to Altadena Drive and Daisy Avenue to Sunnyslope Avenue (73128)** – Staff recommends appropriating \$380,580 from net proceeds remaining from the sale of the Walnut Street property acquired from the Blue Line Construction Authority to this project. As part of the sales agreements with the buyers, the city is responsible for the construction of sidewalks and other street improvements along the Walnut Street frontage of the parcels.

2. **Preventative Maintenance – Asphalt Streets 2005 - 2010 (73580)** – Staff recommends appropriating \$530,000 in Traffic Congestion Relief funds to this project and unappropriating \$300,000 in Gas Tax from this project. This will have a net affect of increasing the project budget by \$230,000. The Gas Tax will be returned to fund balance and made available to the *Pasadena High School Pick Up and Drop Off Plan* project. The City has been allocated \$610,834 in Traffic Congestion Relief funds from the State for FY 2006. These funds can only be used for street and highway pavement maintenance, and the rehabilitation and reconstruction of necessary associated facilities such as drainage and traffic control devices.

The Traffic Congestion Relief funds will be used as follows:

- a. \$530,000 for the *Preventative Maintenance – Asphalt Streets 2005 – 2010* project. \$300,000 to supplant Gas Tax which will go to the *Pasadena High School Pick Up and Drop Off* project and \$230,000 to expedite the City's asphalt street program to slurry seal Villa Street between Cypress Avenue and Allen Avenue, and Madison Avenue between California Boulevard and Del Mar Boulevard; and
 - b. The remaining \$80,834 will be recommended for appropriation at a later date to a new CIP project for repairs to slopes and streets damaged by the storms of 2005.
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3. **Pasadena High School Pick Up and Drop Off Plan (75504)** – Staff recommends \$300,000 in Gas Tax be appropriated to this project. This money will fund the City's portion of the project. The work includes the construction of a left-turn lane and traffic signal on Sierra Madre Boulevard at the entrance to the Victory Park parking lot, as well as drop-off lanes in the parking lot, and the installation of a traffic signal on Washington Boulevard at the school faculty parking lot. The total estimated cost of this work is \$700,000. The appropriation of \$300,000 will fully fund the City's portion which includes \$50,000 in Gas Tax that has already been appropriated. The Pasadena Unified School District will pay the remaining \$350,000.

4. **Hahamongna Watershed Park – Implement Master Plan (77565) –** Staff recommends appropriating \$201,600 in State of California, Recreational Trails Grant funding to this project. The City was awarded this money for trail restoration for the Sunset Overlook Trailhead area in Hahamongna Watershed Park.

In addition, staff recommends appropriating \$107,437 in Proposition 12 (Parks) to this project. In the May 23, 2005, Adoption of the FY 2006 – 2010 Capital Improvement Program Budget, \$400,000 in Proposition 12 (Parks) was unappropriated from this project. Only \$292,563 should have been removed, leaving a total appropriation of \$107,437. This action will correct the error.

5. **Hahamongna – Implement Master Plan – Habitat Restoration – Phases I and II (77508) –** Staff recommends \$107,437 in Proposition 12 (Parks) be unappropriated from this project, leaving a total appropriation of \$292,563. As part of the May 23, 2005, Adoption of the FY 2006 – 2010 Capital Improvement Program Budget, \$400,000 was moved from the *Hahamongna Watershed Park – Implement Master Plan* project to create the habitat restoration project. Only \$292,563 should have been moved. This action will correct the error.
6. **Implementation of a Citywide Transportation Performance Monitoring Network – Phase I (75602) –** Staff recommends \$15,000 in Private Capital be appropriated to this project. These funds were collected as conditions of two development projects to mitigate the additional trips the projects will generate in the area. These funds will be used to implement a citywide traffic monitoring system.
7. **Metro Rapid Bus Priority System (75508) –** Staff recommends appropriating \$44,000 in Metropolitan Transit Authority (METRO) funds to this project, and increasing the total project cost to \$744,000. The scope of work for this project was expanded to include software development needed to allow signal controllers to communicate with METRO's Transit Priority System. The entire project is being managed by METRO.
8. **Rose Bowl Access Management (75502) –** Staff recommends \$20,000 in Street Occupancy Fees be appropriated to this project as a match for the Federal Highway Administration Grant. The City received a \$297,000 Federal Highway Administration Grant in FY 2005 to purchase and install a closed circuit TV camera and all associated fiber optics communication equipment at the Rose Bowl access approaches.

9. **Restroom Building (Replace or Construct) – McDonald, Jefferson, Villa Parke, Singer, Eaton-Blanche, and Hamilton Parks (78038)** – Staff recommends appropriating \$56,356 in Proposition A (Parks) and \$30,500 in Proposition 40 funds to this project for the replacement of the Jefferson Park restroom. In addition, staff recommends \$86,856 in Residential Impact Fees be unappropriated from this project and returned to fund balance.

In order to utilize the Proposition A funds, the City is required to submit the attached resolution to the County of Los Angeles. In so doing, the City acknowledges reviewing, understanding, and agreeing to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Proposition A Program Procedural Guide, and the City has the funds necessary to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity. On-going maintenance costs are included in the Department of Public Work's Operating Budget Park Maintenance Program.

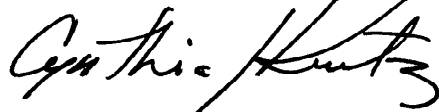
10. **Villa Parke New Drinking Fountain and Trash Enclosure (78045)** – Staff recommends appropriating \$2,547 in Residential Impact Fees to this project so it can be closed.
11. **Restrooms – Washington/Allendale/Hamilton (78099)** – Staff recommends appropriating \$1,921 in Residential Impact Fees to this project so it can be closed.
12. **Eaton Wash Implement Master Plan (78289)** – Staff recommends removing \$15,646 in Private Capital from BRE Properties from this project. On April 11, 2005, the City Council approved the appropriation of \$85,000 in Private Capital from BRE Properties to this project for upgrading the playground equipment. This appropriation was based on an estimate. The actual cost and check received from BRE Properties was in the amount of \$69,354. This action will correct the project budget.
13. **Villa Parke – Various Projects (78185)** – Staff recommends the scope and total estimate cost of this project be reduced. The total estimated cost of the project is \$750,000 which includes \$240,000 for the rehabilitation of the multi-purpose field turf. This work was completed as part of the overall citywide turf enhancement program, and should be deleted from this project. The new total estimated project cost for this project will be \$510,000.
14. **Purchase Seven Alternative Fuel, Medium Duty Transit Vehicles (75058)** – Staff recommends this project be added back into the FY 2006 CIP budget. This project was anticipated to be completed by June 30, 2005 and therefore, was removed from the FY 2006 CIP. However, after

further review of the alternative fuel bus program, staff postponed the purchase of the last two hybrid electrical buses because operating the five existing buses is expensive and is not providing the operational flexibility that is required for the City's service area. In FY 2006, staff will purchase two Compressed Natural Gas vehicles under a contract held by the Metropolitan Transit Development Board.

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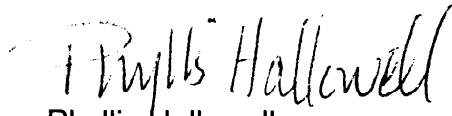
The cumulative effect of these recommendations will increase the FY 2006 CIP budget by \$1,180,002.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CHANGE IN PROJECT DESCRIPTION
FROM THE JEFFERSON PARK PICNIC AREA TO THE JEFFERSON PARK
RESTROOM PROJECT FUNDED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the people of the County of Los Angeles on November 3, 1992, and on November 5, 1996 enacted Los Angeles County Proposition A, Safe Neighborhood Parks, Gang Prevention, Tree-Planting, Senior and Youth Recreation, Beach and Wildlife Protection (the Proposition), which among other uses, provides funds to public agencies and nonprofit organizations in the County for the purpose of acquiring and/or developing facilities and open space for public recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition also created the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (the District) to administer said funds; and

WHEREAS, the District has set forth the necessary procedures governing applications for grant funds under the Proposition; and

WHEREAS, the District's procedures require an applicant to certify, by resolution, the approval of the application before submission of said application to the District; and

WHEREAS, said application contains assurances with which the applicant must comply; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will enter into an Agreement with the District to provide funds for acquisition and development projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena wishes to maintain the focus on Jefferson Park as previously committed and originally approved as the Jefferson Park Picnic Area Project, but instead change the project to the Jefferson Park Restroom Project (Replace Restroom Building).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE PASADENA CITY COUNCIL HEREBY:

Approves this resolution concerning the County of Los Angeles Regional Park and Open Space District for funds under Section 8.b.1 of the 1992 Proposition to change the project description from the Jefferson Park Picnic Area Project to the Jefferson Park Restroom project; and

Certifies that the City understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and

Certifies that the City has, or will have, sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project in perpetuity; and

Appoints the City Manager or Director of Public Works as agent of the City of Pasadena to conduct all negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so forth, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the ____ day of _____, 2005, by the vote:

AYES:

NOES

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Jane L. Rodriguez, CMC
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

 8/30/05

Nicholas George Rodriguez
Assistant City Attorney

Attachment A

Project/Fund Source	Appropriations Through FY 2006	Changes	Revised Appropriation
1 Walnut Street Improvements from Foothill Boulevard to Altadena Drive and Daisy Avenue to Sunnyslope Avenue (73128)			
Proceeds from Sale of Land on Walnut Street	0	380,580	380,580
2 Preventive Maintenance - Asphalt Streets (73580)			0
Gas Tax	2,751,250	(300,000)	2,451,250
Traffic Congestion Relief	0	530,000	530,000
3 Pasadena High School Pick Up and Drop Off Plan (75504)			
Gas Tax	50,000	300,000	350,000
4 Hahamongna Watershed Park - Implement Master Plan (77565)			
State of California, Recreational Trails Grant	0	201,600	201,600
Proposition 12	0	107,437	107,437
5 Hahamongna Implement Master Plan - Habitat Restoration Phase I & II (77508)			
Proposition 12	400,000	(107,437)	292,563
6 Implementation of Citywide Transportation Performance Monitoring Network (75602)			
Private Capital - 2448 Oswego (Sundry 61286)	0	10,000	10,000
Private Capital - Harkness Development (Sundry 61189)	0	5,000	5,000
8 Metro Rapid Bus Priority System (75508)			
Metropolitan Transit Authority	700,000	44,000	744,000
8 Rose Bowl Access (75502)			
Street Occupancy Fees	0	20,000	20,000
9 Restroom Building (Replace or Construct) - McDonald, Jefferson, Villa Parke, Singer, Eaton Blanche and Hamilton Parks (78038)			
Residential Impact Fees	1,550,000	(86,856)	1,463,144
Proposition A (Parks)	0	56,356	56,356
Proposition 40	0	30,500	30,500
10 Villa Parke New Drinking Fountain and Trash Enclosure (78045)			
Residential Impact Fees	0	2,547	2,547
11 Restrooms - Washington/Allendale/Hamilton (78099)			
Residential Impact Fees	0	1,921	1,921
12 Eaton Wash Implement Master Plan (78289)			
Private Capital - BRE Properties	85,000	(15,646)	69,354
Net Change		1,180,002	

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September 7, 2005

Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
City of Pasadena
117 E. Colorado Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91105

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers;

I understand you will be discussing the expenditure of funds for traffic improvements to the neighborhoods impacted by traffic at Pasadena High School, particularly the streets bounded by Rose Ave., Cooley Ave., Altadena Ave. and Woodlyn.

As a former resident of this neighborhood I am all too aware of the traffic problems this neighborhood faces. In fact, it was in 2000, when the PUSD first proposed a 50 unit subdivision in the neighborhood that the Altadena/Rose Neighborhood Association came into being. The traffic at that time, five years ago, was so bad; the neighborhood organized itself around the issue of traffic. It was inconceivable that another 50 units could be permitted when the traffic problems, especially in the morning and evening drop off times, were so bad.

The neighborhood, in particular past President Melodie Smith, has worked tirelessly to get the PUSD and PHS to respond to the very real traffic problems the neighborhood faces, all to no avail. It was not until the intervention of Councilmember Haderlein that the PUSD even listened to the neighborhood.

In the three years I worked on this issue as a neighbor I cannot recall any positive response from the PUSD to the neighborhood. The school failed time and time again to follow through on promises made to the neighborhood. The PUSD has not been a good neighbor, and in spite of countless meetings and efforts to resolve the problems, has not acted in good faith.

Sadly, while the city has been able to be very effective in protecting neighborhoods against the traffic impacts of private schools in residential neighborhoods, we cannot seem to get the attention of the PUSD on this issue.

Now, after five years, a proposed development is in prospect which has the support of the neighborhood. The PUSD stands to make a tidy sum from the sale

of that property (the former Palmer Tennis Court site) and the neighborhood is welcoming the development. That project will give the PUSD the money to fund the traffic improvements which are so desperately needed.

The traffic impacts on this neighborhood are real. In fact, they are so bad that when I sold my home on Rose Avenue in 2003, I felt obligated to disclose the traffic problems to potential buyers. I urge you to support the traffic improvements that have been designed and approved. I also urge you to devise a means to ensure the improvements are implemented as soon as possible, without the possibility of the PUSD holding up the process. Could the city advance the money and place a demand for reimbursement of those funds on the escrow for the sale of the tennis court property? Waiting for the PUSD will mean we wait forever. That would be tragic, because it is only a matter of time before another fatal accident like the one on Sierra Madre occurs.

I am sorry I will be out of town on the 12th and not able to attend the council meeting. Councilman Haderlein has been a champion of the neighborhood on this issue. Please support him and the neighborhood by ensuring the improvements are completed as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Margaret McAustin

Cc: Altadena Rose Neighborhood Assn.
Ms. Cynthia Kurtz, City Manager