

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: October 22, 2007

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: APPROVE THE "FREEWAY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT - LA 210 FREEWAY AND LAKE AVENUE OVERCROSSING," BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACTING THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS); AND THE "CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A CLOCK TOWER WITH FOUR CLOCKS ON THE METRO GOLD LIGHT RAIL LINE LAKE AVENUE STATION AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE EAST AND WEST SIDES OF THE LAKE AVENUE BRIDGE IN THE CITY OF PASADENA," BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA OR METRO)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve the agreements below for the Lake Avenue Bridge Enhancements project, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same on behalf of the City:

1. Freeway Maintenance Agreement - LA 210 Freeway and Lake Avenue Overcrossing between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, acting through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
2. Construction and Maintenance Agreement for the Installation of a Clock Tower With Four Clocks on the Metro Gold Light Rail Line Lake Avenue Station and the Construction of Improvements Along The East and West Sides of the Lake Avenue Bridge in the City Of Pasadena between the City of Pasadena and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA or Metro)

BACKGROUND

The Lake Avenue Bridge Enhancements project provides for the completion of the clock tower with four clocks at the east entrance to the Gold Line Light Rail Station at Lake Avenue, the construction of structural steel canopies along the sidewalk, the installation of a photovoltaic system within the roof of the sidewalk canopies capable of

generating solar power for the City's Power Department, the installation of new decorative streetlight and canopy lighting system, the construction of three bike rack areas with stamped concrete paving, and the installation of decorative benches and trash cans.

The Lake Avenue Bridge Enhancements are the final phase of a multi-year improvement plan along the Lake Avenue Bridge, as described below:

- Phase I – The MTA Bridge Retrofit project included the Lake Avenue Bridge widening, and the construction of pedestals in the bridge barrier railing for the future sidewalk canopy construction as part of the subject Enhancements project (completed).
- Phase II – The Lake Avenue Gold Line/Station construction included the partial construction of the clock tower (lower portion completed).
- Phase III – The City project for the Lake Avenue sidewalk and raised planter construction (completed).
- Phase IV – The City project for the "Lake Avenue Bridge Enhancements." The remaining work includes completing the construction of the clock tower, constructing the sidewalk canopies, photovoltaic system, and bike rack areas, and finishing construction on the clock tower (construction in 2008).

The subject two agreements are required for issuance of an Encroachment Permit by Caltrans and approval by the MTA. The Public Works Department and the City Attorney's Office have reviewed this Master Agreement and they are ready for approval.

The agreement between the City and Caltrans will clarify the division of maintenance between the two parties for the Lake Avenue Overcrossing at the 210 Freeway. Caltrans agrees to maintain the entire overcrossing structure below the bridge deck, and to grant the City permission to construct the proposed improvements under an Encroachment Permit. The City agrees to maintain all portions of the structure and decorative enhancements above the bridge deck, which include the curb, sidewalks, canopies, photovoltaic system, streetlight and canopy light system, bridge fencing, bike rack areas, and traffic service facilities. The City will also be responsible for graffiti removal.

The agreement between the City and the MTA will grant the City permission to construct the proposed improvements, and will clarify the division of maintenance between the two parties for the Metro Gold Light Rail Line Lake Avenue Station. The MTA agrees to maintain the clock tower and clock system at the City's expense. The City agrees to submit the contract plans, specifications, and insurance certificates to the MTA for review and approval; to construct the proposed improvements at City expense, including the clock tower and clock system; and to reimburse the MTA for all

actual and reasonable costs for maintenance, engineering, and inspection; and to follow the MTA's requirements regarding construction adjacent to the Gold Line Light Rail system.

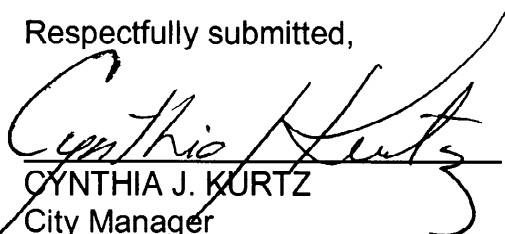
The schedule for completion of the project is shown below:

- Review and Approval by Caltrans and MTA November 2007
- Advertise for Construction December 2007
- City Council Award of Contract February 2008
- Start Construction April 2008
- Complete Construction November 2008

FISCAL IMPACT


There are sufficient funds available in Capital Improvement Budget Account Numbers 75038, "Lake Avenue Light Rail Enhancements" and 3168, "Photovoltaic Installations" to complete the project.

Respectfully submitted,



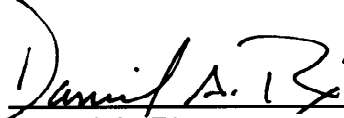
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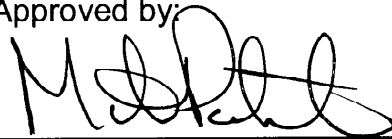
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