

# Agenda Report

September 12, 2011

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** Department of Public Works  
**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OF OAK GROVE DRIVE FROM BERKSHIRE PLACE TO FOOTHILL BOULEVARD**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the Public Resources Code in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) (repair of existing public streets), pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency, and a Notice of Exemption for the project has been filed with Los Angeles County Clerk on August 16, 2011; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the City of La Canada Flintridge to improve a section of Oak Grove Drive jurisdictionally shared by the City of Pasadena and the City of La Canada Flintridge.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City of La Canada Flintridge (LCF) has proposed an agreement with the City of Pasadena (Pasadena) as a cooperative project to improve the roadway and the existing median islands on Oak Grove Drive between Berkshire Place and Foothill Boulevard, which is jurisdictionally shared by both cities as shown in Attachment A and Attachment B. Approximately 70% of the easterly project area is in Pasadena's jurisdiction, including the median islands, and the remaining westerly portion is within the LCF city boundary.

The work includes new landscaping of the existing two median islands with a new irrigation system and the resurfacing of Oak Grove Drive with rubberized asphalt concrete pavement. The agreement provides for Pasadena to prepare the plans, specifications and cost estimate for the project, with LCF preparing the landscape design plans for the median islands. In addition, Pasadena will administer the project in

accordance to the Pasadena Municipal Code and provide the construction inspection of the project.

The agreement also specifies that Pasadena and LCF will equally share the total cost of the project, which includes engineering, administration and construction. Once the project is completed and acceptable to both cities, LCF will reimburse its share of the project, and Pasadena will accept future maintenance of the median islands and the landscaping. Currently, the two median islands contain dirt/mulch and four trees, which are pruned once every three years by Pasadena. The trees include two Canary Island Pines (*Pinus canariensis*), one Mexican Fan Palm (*Washingtonia robusta*), and one Red Flowering Gum (*Eucalyptus ficifolia*). These trees will be protected in place and will be part of the new landscape.

It is anticipated that construction will begin in February 2012 and be completed by March 2012.

#### **COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

This project is consistent with the City Council's goal to "Improve, maintain and enhance public facilities and infrastructure." It also supports the Public Facilities Element of the General Plan by maintaining public facilities to enhance the quality of life of the community. Further, this project complies with the Green City Action Plan – Waste Reduction Action to "achieve zero waste to landfills by 2040," by using recycled rubber tires in paving material. This reduces tires in the landfill and methane gas in the environment. The recycling of asphalt and concrete material meets the City's Construction and Demolition Waste Management Plan requirements.

This project also addresses the water category of the Green City Action Plan with the utilization of drought tolerant landscaping of the median islands to reduce water consumption.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

On August 11, 2011, the City's Environmental Administrator determined that the project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines in Section 15301, Existing Facilities, of the California Code of Regulations Title 14, Chapter 3. This exemption includes minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing. A Notice of Exemption for the project was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on August 16, 2011 as required. There are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

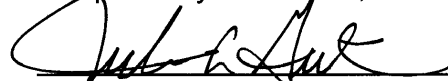
The estimated cost of the project is \$350,000 and the City's share is estimated at \$175,000. Funding for this action will be addressed by the utilization of the existing budgeted appropriations in the Preventive Maintenance – Asphalt Street Funds (Budget Account 73901) CIP project when the project is ready to be awarded to the lowest responsive bidder.

It is anticipated that all of the cost will be spent during the current fiscal year. There are minor indirect and support costs such as maintenance and IT support anticipated.

The following table represents a summary of the costs:

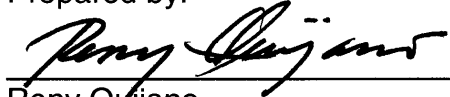
	<u>Amount</u>
Estimated Construction Cost	\$ 270,000
Contingency Allowance	\$ 27,000
Construction Total	\$ 297,000
Design/Administration	30,000
Inspection/Survey	\$ 23,000
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 350,000

Respectfully submitted,



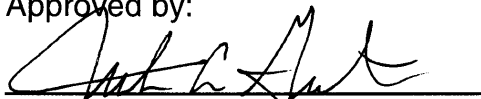
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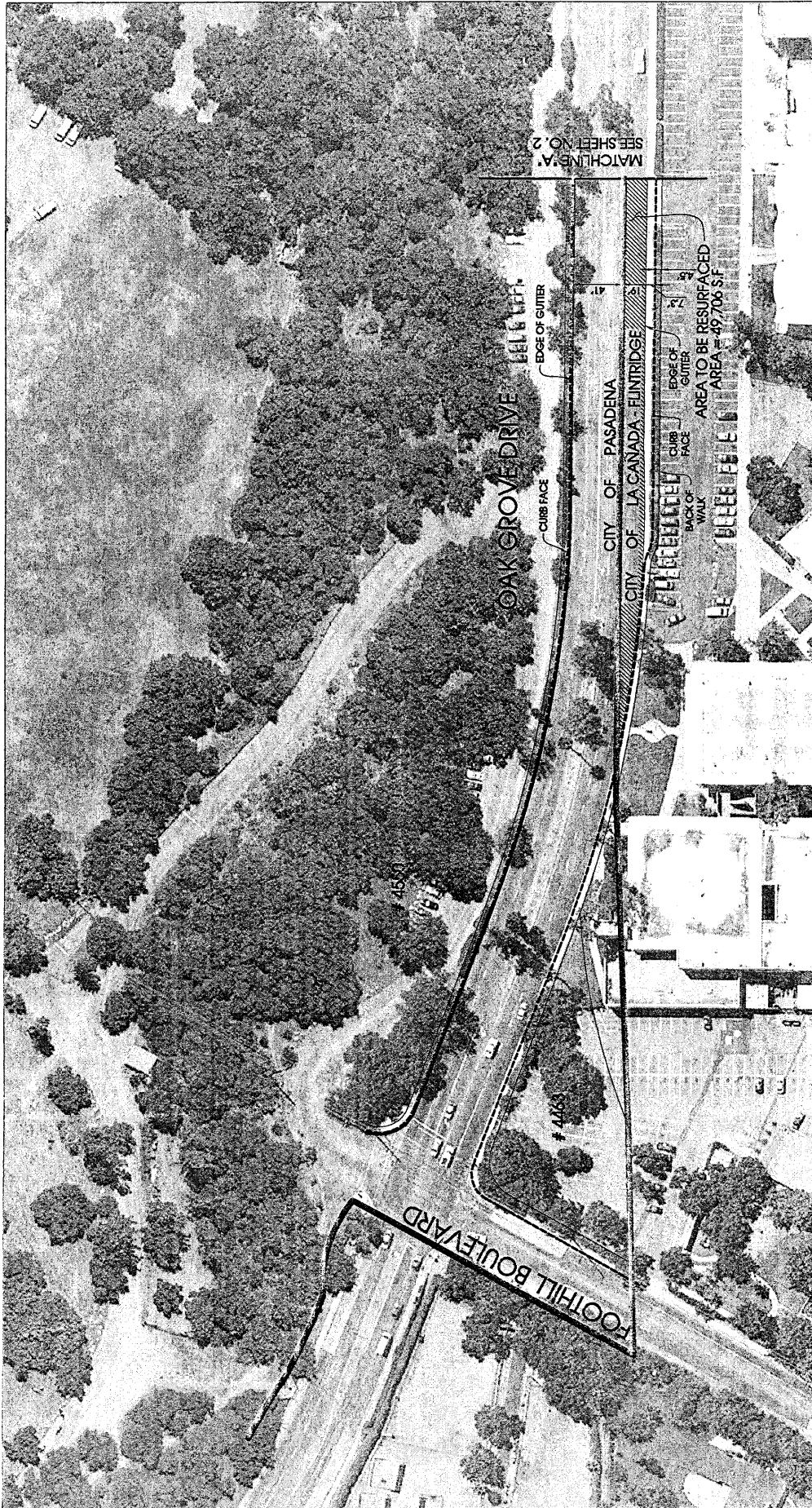
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# ATTACHMENT A



## RESURFACING

**CITY OF PASADENA - PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

DRAWN BY: MARCOS TEMANN  
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**OAK GROVE DRIVE**  
 From Foothill Boulevard to Berkshire Avenue  
 CAD20390-1.DWG SHEET NO. 1 12/3/03

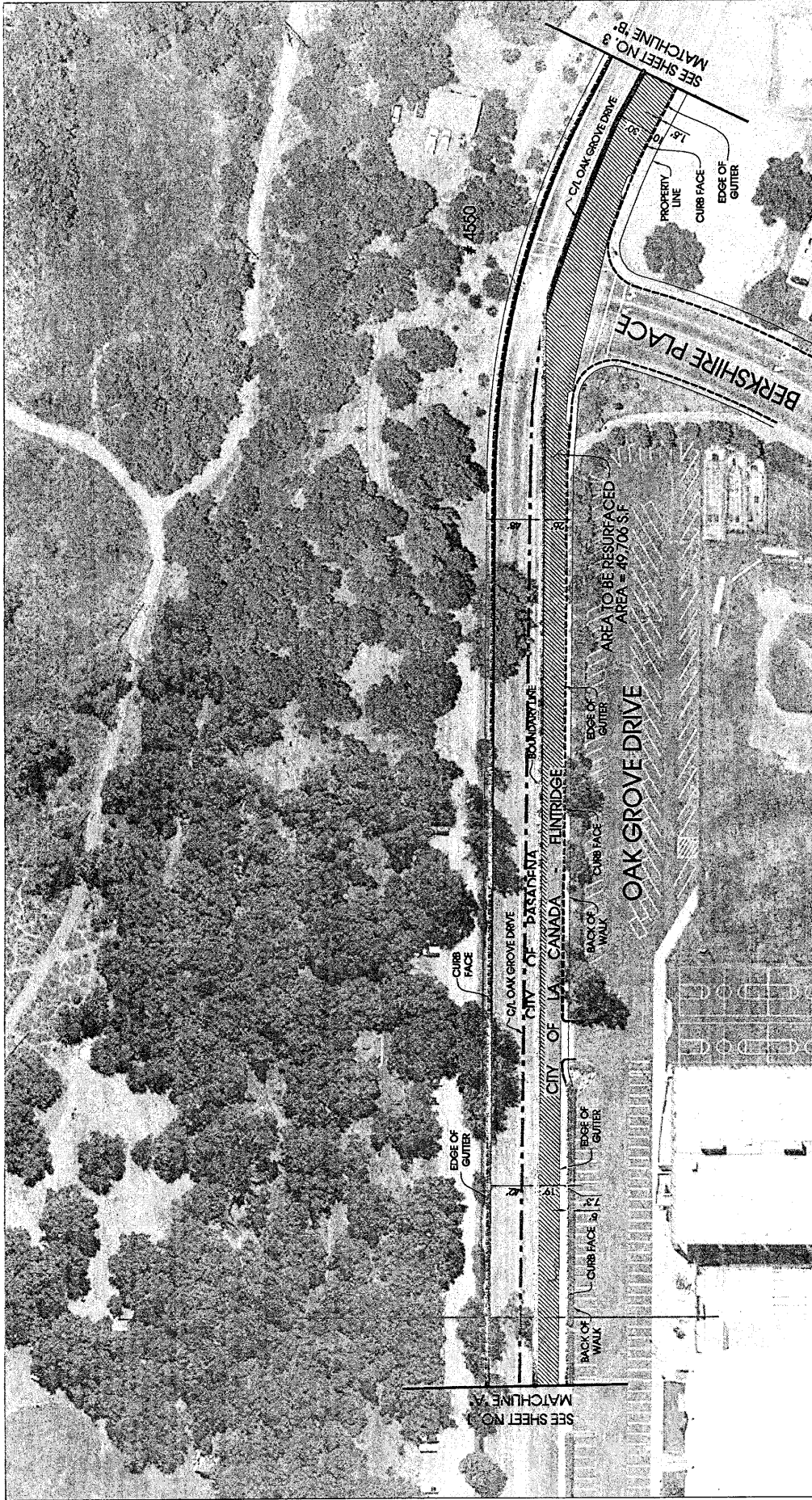
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### NOTES:

STREET UTILITIES	WATER METER
SEWER MANHOLE	WATER METER
LED MANHOLE	MR (UNION) NO
EMERGENCY DRAIN	GAS VALVE
EMERGENCY DRAIN	POWER VALVE
EMERGENCY TAP	L.A.C.F.C.D.
EMERGENCY TAP	INSTRUMENT MAN.
WATER VALVE	LOOP DETECTOR



# ATTACHMENT B



## RESURFACING

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OAK GROVE DRIVE  
 From Foothill Boulevard to Berkshire Place

CAD20380-2.DWG SHEET NO. 2 12/9/03

### NOTES

STREET UTILITIES	NOTES
SEWER MAIN/STICLE	WATER METER
WATER MAIN/STICLE	NEW CURB/STICLE
NEW CURB/STICLE	NEW GUTTER
NEW GUTTER	POWER VALVE
NEW POWER VALVE	LA C.C.C.D.
NEW LA C.C.C.D.	SEPARATION LINE
NEW SEPARATION LINE	M.H.
NEW M.H.	LOOP DETECTOR
NEW LOOP DETECTOR	
NEW WATER VALVE	