

Agenda Report

DATE: JANUARY 7, 2002
TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT WITH COTTON BRIDGES AND ASSOCIATES INC. FOR COMPLETION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PLAZA LAS FUENTES PHASE II PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 17,639 for an amount not to exceed \$18,000 with Cotton Bridges and Associates Inc. to provide for the completion of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Plaza Las Fuentes Phase II development.

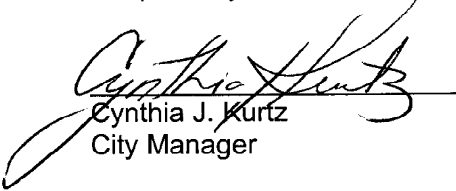
BACKGROUND:

On June 4, 2001 the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into a contract with Cotton Bridges and Associates for an amount not to exceed \$95,000 for the Plaza Las Fuentes Phase II Environmental Impact Report. Since the issuance of the original contract the applicant has modified the project which has required an additional number of tasks and project team meetings with City staff. These project modifications included the relocation of a loading dock and a change in the Memorandum of Understanding with the City's Public Works and Transportation Department on the issues associated with the project's traffic study. Additional costs will be \$18,000 with the final costs of the contract not to exceed \$113,000.

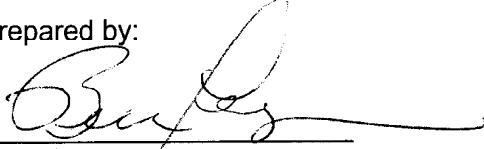
FISCAL IMPACT:

Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) will be deposited with the City's Planning & Development Department to address the remaining consultant costs in preparing the EIR. This amount is in addition to the \$95,000 which the applicant has previously provided the City for the costs associated in preparing the EIR. The total cost of the EIR is \$113,000.

Respectfully Submitted,


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