

Agenda Report

TO: City Council

DATE: July 15, 2002

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Authorization to Amend Contract No. 17,879 with McLean & Schultz for the Design of a Southern Pedestrian Overcrossing to the Sierra Madre Villa Light Rail Station

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 17,879 with McLean & Schultz for the design of a southern pedestrian overcrossing to the Sierra Madre Villa light rail station that will increase the "not to exceed" amount from \$295,000 to \$380,000, which is an increase of \$85,000.

BACKGROUND:

On January 28, 2002, the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Contract with McLean & Schultz for the design of a south pedestrian access bridge to the Sierra Madre Villa Station for an amount not to exceed \$295,000.

The Sierra Madre Villa light rail station is being constructed by the Los Angeles to Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority, and consists of a northern pedestrian overcrossing from a 1,000 car parking garage to the light rail station located in the freeway median. The north pedestrian bridge will allow station access for persons parking their cars in the parking garage, as well as riders who arrive at the station on foot, by bus or bicycle. The added south access will be a direct and safe approach for pedestrians and bus riders approaching from the south and will reduce traffic congestion at the north access.

An increase in the contract is needed to complete a detailed engineering Project Scope Report ("PSR") required by Caltrans and to complete a Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) application for the 2003 Call for Projects. It was anticipated that Caltrans would allow much of the PSR from the north pedestrian crossing to be utilized, as it is similar to the south pedestrian crossing. However, Caltrans ruled that an entirely new PSR be completed.

The estimated project cost for the south access pedestrian bridge to the Sierra Madre Villa light rail station is \$5,000,000. Council has appropriated \$2,500,000 of Proposition "A" Light Rail Reserves funds for this project, leaving \$2,500,000 unfunded. The City's congressional delegation has requested a \$2.5 million earmark in the federal Transportation Appropriations bill. This bill is expected to be acted upon by the Senate on July 23, 2002, and by the House in September. We should know by the end of the year whether federal funding will be approved for this project.

The milestones for the Southern Pedestrian Overcrossing (POC) at the Sierra Madre Villa Station are as follows:

Caltrans Process

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| ▪ Caltrans Project Study Report (PSR) | April 2002 to October 2002 |
| ▪ Caltrans Review of PSR | July 2002 to October 2002 |
| ▪ Caltrans Approval Process | October 2002 to November 2002 |

Bridge Design

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| ▪ Type Selection Approval Process | May 2002 to August 2002 |
| ▪ Geotechnical Investigation | June 2002 to August 2002 |
| ▪ Checked Plans Review Process | August 2002 to December 2002 |
| ▪ Final Approved Documents | January 2003 to February 2003 |

Right-of-Way Acquisition

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| ▪ Acquire Caltrans Easement | July 2002 to March 2003 |
| ▪ Acquire Orchard Supply Hardware Easement | July 2002 to March 2003 |

Column Construction

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| ▪ Bridge support columns in center of freeway | March 2003 to June 2003 |
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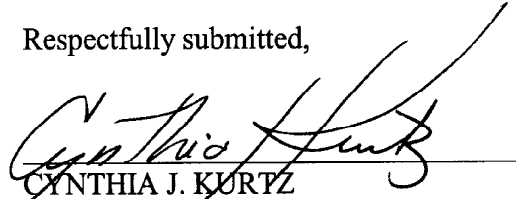
Bridge, Tower and Support Facilities Construction Eleven months after funds become available

- Bridge
 - South Tower
 - Kiss and Ride drop off on Colorado Boulevard
 - Improved bus stops on Colorado Boulevard
 - Improved station access from South Tower to Colorado Boulevard
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FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient funds for this amendment are available in Budget Account 75068, South Access Pedestrian Bridge to the Sierra Madre Villa Light Rail Station. This amendment will not increase the estimated total cost of \$5 million for the project.

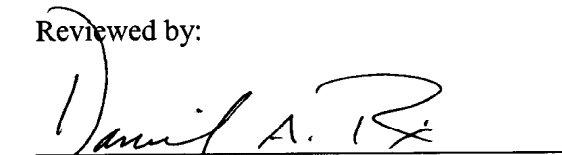
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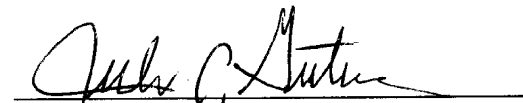
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