

Agenda Report

July 16, 2012

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Department of Public Works

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION APPROVING ADMINISTERING AGENCY-STATE MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF PASADENA AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR USE OF STATE FUNDS ON LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Find that approval of the Master Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15061(b)(3);
- 2. Adopt a resolution approving the revised Administering Agency State Master Agreement No. 00370S between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans), for State-Aid transportation projects; and
- 3. Authorize the City Manager to execute the same on behalf of the City.

BACKGROUND:

The State of California, acting through Caltrans, requires agencies that receive local transportation State funds to execute an Administering Agency – State Master Agreement. Caltrans has prepared Agreement No. 00370S that reflects the provisions of the Legislature of the State of California. It has been revised to incorporate various changes in regulations and policies, which include but are not limited to: review of contract plans and specifications for accessibility issues by the State Architect or designee, submit invoices to state at least once every six months, submit expenditure report after completion of project, and undergo a state audit when receiving \$500,000 or more in state funds in any fiscal year.

Before State-Aid funds are actually made available for a specific project, it will also be necessary for the City and Caltrans to enter into project-specific Program Supplement Agreements to establish terms and conditions applicable to the designated project and to the subsequent operation and maintenance of that completed facility.

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The Department of Public Works and the City Attorney's Office have reviewed this Master Agreement and it is ready for approval.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This Master Agreement supports the City Council Strategic Goal to improve, maintain and enhance public facilities and infrastructure. The Master Agreement is consistent with the Land Use Element of the General Plan by continuing to implement improvements which will maintain or rehabilitate existing infrastructure.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed action to approve a Master Agreement between the City of Pasadena and the State of California has been determined to be exempt from CEQA per Section 15061 (b)(3), the General Rule. The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA only applies to projects that have a potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The proposed action is an administrative function to allow the City of Pasadena to continue to apply for future grant funding opportunities with the State of California.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of the new Master Agreement with Caltrans is a prerequisite for the receipt of State-Aid funds. Approval of Administering Agency – State Master Agreement No. 00370S will enable the City to execute Program Supplement Agreements with the State for future eligible projects.

Respectfully submitted,

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Approved by:

MICHAEL J. BECK City Manager

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA APPROVING A MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PASADENA AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR STATE-AID TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, receipt by the City of Pasadena of State funds under certain transportation programs administered by the State of California, acting through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), requires that a new master agreement be entered into by the City and Caltrans; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena and the State of California, acting through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), desire to enter into a revised Administering Agency – State Master Agreement that reflects the provisions of the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and subsequent Transportation Authorization Bills, and various changes in regulations and policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena that Administering Agency – State Master Agreement No. 00370S, as modified April 16, 2012, between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, acting through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is hereby approved, the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute same on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk is directed to attest his signature and affix the corporate seal of the City thereto. Adopted at the _____ meeting of the City Council on the _____ day

of _____ 2012, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MARK JOMSKY City Clerk

Approved as to form:

6/11/12

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