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May 15, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

43 May 15, 2012

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT UPDATED RESOLUTION FOR CONTRIBUTION OF FUNDING AND
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD
TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION
SAN GABRIEL BOULEVARD/SIERRA MADRE BOULEVARD, ET AL.
IN THE CITIES OF PASADENA, SAN MARINO, AND SIERRA MADRE AND IN THE
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF EAST PASADENA AND WEST ARCADIA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to adopt an updated resolution adopted by your Board on June 29, 2010, to increase the financial assistance to the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre and to extend financial assistance to the State of California Department of Transportation; approve the project to modify and synchronize traffic signals for San Gabriel Boulevard/Sierra Madre Boulevard, et al., in the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre and in the unincorporated communities of East Pasadena and West Arcadia; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Adopt an updated resolution that increases the County of Los Angeles aid provided to the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre from \$759,590 to \$2,609,000 and providing County of Los Angeles aid in the amount of \$21,000 to the State of California Department of Transportation to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from Proposition C local sales tax.

2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file in the Construction Division of the Department of Public Works for traffic signal modification and synchronization, in the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre and in the unincorporated communities of East Pasadena and West Arcadia, at an estimated construction contract cost between \$1,400,000 and \$2,000,000.
3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise for bids to be received and opened on June 12, 2012, in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement.
4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material Bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to increase the County financial assistance to the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre; approve the project; adopt the plans and specifications; advertise for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee to award, execute, and implement a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the modification and synchronization of traffic signals with the performance of other appurtenant work.

The limits of the project are San Gabriel Boulevard/Sierra Madre Boulevard from Huntington Drive to Michillinda Avenue, San Marino Avenue at Huntington Drive, and New York Drive at Sierra Madre Villa Avenue.

On June 29, 2010 Agenda Item 29, your Board adopted the resolution approving County of Los Angeles (County) contribution of funds in the amount of \$759,590 to the Cities of Pasadena, San Marino, and Sierra Madre (Cities) for their jurisdictional share of the cost of project. Your Board also delegated authority for the Director or her designee to enter into an agreement with the City of Pasadena for the County to design and construct the project and for the City of Pasadena to contribute up to \$230,000 toward the City of Pasadena's share of the cost of project.

The estimated total cost of the project has increased from \$989,590 to \$2,959,000 due to the upgrading of the intersections of Sierra Madre Boulevard at Michillinda Avenue and Sierra Madre Boulevard at Sierra Madre Villa Avenue in the City of Pasadena and the intersection of Huntington Drive at Sierra Madre Boulevard/San Marino Avenue in the City of San Marino to provide fully protected left turn phasing and concurrent through movements for north and southbound directions. The project will also include the reconstruction of curb ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements and State of California (State) standards.

Board adoption of the enclosed updated resolution increases the County contribution of Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds from \$759,590 to \$2,609,000 to finance the Cities' jurisdictional shares of the project cost and approves the County contribution of \$21,000 to the State Department of Transportation to finance the State's jurisdictional share of the project cost.

Pursuant to Section 130 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the State and County are authorized to enter into contracts for improvements to State highways within the County. The State

defines an encroachment permit to be a contract between the State and an encroachment permit holder. The County obtained an encroachment permit from the State to implement the project. Under the terms of the encroachment permit, the County is granted authority to enter onto State right of way to implement the project.

Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the Board of Supervisors of any County may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general County interest and that County aid shall be extended therefore.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help achieve these goals by providing improved traffic flow for the traveling public, which will benefit the communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this project is in the range of \$1,400,000 to \$2,000,000. The total project cost is estimated to be \$2,959,000, with the County's jurisdictional share being \$99,000, the City of Pasadena's share being \$2,084,000, the City of San Marino's share being \$575,000, the City of Sierra Madre's share being \$180,000, and the State's share being \$21,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, materials testing, construction engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The project cost will be financed with \$2,317,000 in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2001 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the San Gabriel Valley Forum; \$230,000 from the City of Pasadena under Agreement No. PW06291029 executed on June 6, 2011; and \$412,000 in Proposition C Local Return match funds. On an annual basis, your Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget for the County's Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$412,000 will be funded from this TOP allocation. The \$2,609,000 in HTC funds and \$21,000 funds for the State's jurisdictional share consist of Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds. Financing for the construction of this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed updated resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

This project, to contract for the modification and synchronization of traffic signals, is part of the Department of Public Works' (Public Works) ongoing program for transportation system management. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 100 working days. It is estimated the work will start in September 2012 and be completed in February 2013.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award, execute, and implement this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to meet the grant funding deadline.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the Los Angeles County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On June 29, 2010, Agenda Item No. 29, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open-competitive bid basis. The award by the Director or her designee will be made after review of the bids and determination of the apparent responsible

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contractor with the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved traffic flow, which will benefit the communities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one copy of the updated resolution to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Internal Services Department (Countywide
Contract Compliance)

**UPDATED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TO INCREASE COUNTY AID TO THE
CITIES OF PASADENA, SAN MARINO, AND SIERRA MADRE AND TO EXTEND
COUNTY AID TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR THE SAN GABRIEL/SIERRA MADRE BOULEVARD
TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF PASADENA, SAN MARINO, AND SIERRA MADRE, (hereinafter referred to as CITIES), the STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, (hereinafter referred to as STATE), and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY), desire to modify and synchronize the traffic signals along San Gabriel Boulevard/Sierra Madre Boulevard from Huntington Drive to Michillinda Avenue, (which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT); and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES and STATE; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2010, Agenda Item 29, your Board adopted a Resolution approving COUNTY contribution of funds in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars (\$759,590.00) to CITIES, (hereinafter referred to as ORIGINAL RESOLUTION), for their jurisdictional share of the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of PROJECT has increased from Nine Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars (\$989,590.00) to Two Million Nine Hundred Fifty-nine Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,959,000.00) due to the upgrading of the intersections of Sierra Madre Boulevard and Michillinda Avenue, and Sierra Madre Boulevard and Sierra Madre Villa Avenue in the CITY OF PASADENA, and the intersection of Huntington Drive at Sierra Madre Boulevard/San Marino Avenue in the CITY OF SAN MARINO, to provide fully protected left turn phasing and concurrent through movements for north and southbound directions. The PROJECT will also include the reconstruction of curb ramps to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements and State of California standards; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITIES, STATE, and COUNTY and COUNTY desires to extend COUNTY aid to STATE and to increase the previously approved COUNTY aid to CITIES to cover the increase in the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) 2001 Call For Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the San Gabriel Valley Forum and COUNTY'S Proposition C Local Return match funds to cover this increase in the cost of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the cost of PROJECT in the amount of One Million Nine Hundred Sixty-nine Thousand Four Hundred Ten and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,969,410.00) will be financed with One Million Seven Hundred Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Eighty and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,717,680.00) in LACMTA 2001 Call For Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds for the San Gabriel Valley Forum, and Two Hundred Fifty-one Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty and 00/100 Dollars (\$251,730.00) in Proposition C Local Return match funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) Top-of-Pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition C Local Return match funds will be funded from this TOP allocation; and

WHEREAS, Section 130 of the California Streets and Highways Code provides that STATE and COUNTY may enter into contracts for improvements to STATE highways within COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, STATE defines an encroachment permit to be a contract between STATE and an encroachment permit holder, that describes the terms and conditions under, which the permit holder is granted permissive authority to enter onto STATE right-of-way to perform an activity; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY obtained an encroachment permit from STATE for PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 and Section 130 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The PROJECT is of general COUNTY interest and COUNTY aid shall be increased and extended therefor.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code, to extend aid to STATE in the amount of Twenty-one Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$21,000.00) and to increase aid to CITIES from the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty-nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars (\$759,590.00) approved in the ORIGINAL RESOLUTION to the amount of Two Million Six Hundred Nine Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,609,000.00), for a total contribution of Two Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,630,000.00) for the PROJECT from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

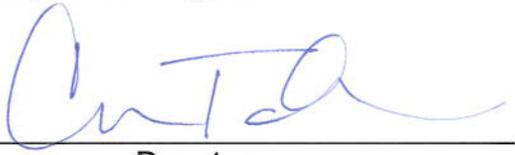
SECTION 3. The financial obligations of COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from LACMTA pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding No. P0008121 between COUNTY and LACMTA.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this Updated Resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the Updated Resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.

The foregoing Updated Resolution was adopted on the 15th day of May, 2012, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

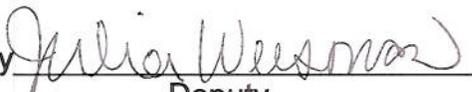


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