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July 29, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

29 July 29, 2014

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT RESOLUTION 3953 FOR HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING
FOR INSTALLATION OF A FLASHING BEACON ON
LARK ELLEN AVENUE AT LITTLE DALTON WASH
IN THE CITY OF AZUSA AND
THE UNINCORPORATED EAST IRWINDALE AREA
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the project to install a flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash to increase pedestrian and vehicular safety and to adopt Resolution 3953 to authorize Highways-Through-Cities funding in the amount of \$100,000 to the City of Azusa.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the project to install a flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the project and adopt Resolution 3953 finding that installation of a flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash located within the City of Azusa and the unincorporated East Irwindale area is of general County interest and that County aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of \$100,000, plus up to an additional 10 percent or \$10,000, for unforeseen costs that may occur, for a total of up to \$110,000, shall be provided to the City to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Highway Users Tax.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is for the Board to approve the project and to approve a County contribution of \$100,000 in Highways-Through-Cities funds to finance the City of Azusa's share of the cost to install a flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash and perform other appurtenant work in the City and the unincorporated East Irwindale area.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Service Delivery (Goal 3). By installing a flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash, the residents of the neighboring Cities and the unincorporated East Irwindale area who travel on Lark Ellen Avenue will experience increased pedestrian and vehicular safety and their quality of life will be improved.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The project is within the City and the unincorporated East Irwindale area. The total project cost is estimated to be \$200,000 with the County's jurisdictional share being \$100,000 and the City's share being \$100,000. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the cost of plans, specifications, consultant services, survey, material testing, construction, engineering, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, contribution to the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund, and other County services.

Sufficient funds to finance the cost of the project are included in the First Supervisorial District's Road Construction Programs in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget.

The City's share of the project cost, estimated to be \$100,000, will be financed by County Highways-Through-Cities funds.

The annual maintenance cost of the flashing beacon is estimated to be \$1,000. Commencing in Fiscal Year 2015-16, sufficient appropriation will be included in each year's annual Road Fund Budget to finance the ongoing maintenance cost. The City finances its share of the maintenance cost according to the terms and condition set forth in Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement 40790 between the City and County.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed Resolution 3953 has been approved, as to form, by County Counsel.

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. County aid may be provided in the form of labor, equipment, and materials.

The Board has authorized the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute contracts for projects to install and modify flashing beacons and traffic signals on an as-needed basis in the County. This project will be constructed as part of an as-needed construction contract.

Upon completion of the project, the flashing beacon will be maintained by the County according to the terms and conditions set forth in Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement 40790 between the City and County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1(x), Subsections 5, 14, and 22 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board. These exemptions provide for installation of new traffic signal systems; reconstruction of existing roadway pavement, curbs, gutters, sidewalk, and driveway aprons; drainage structures in place, including the removal and replacement of trees that are damaging the roadway; and maintenance of existing roadway facilities.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Completion of the project will have a positive impact by providing increased pedestrian and vehicular safety, thereby benefiting the community.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and two copies of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,



GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION 3953 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO EXTEND COUNTY AID TO
THE CITY OF AZUSA FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLATION OF
A FLASHING BEACON ON
LARK ELLEN AVENUE AT LITTLE DALTON WASH**

WHEREAS, the City of Azusa (hereinafter referred to as CITY), and the County of Los Angeles (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY), desire to install a flashing beacon at the marked crosswalk on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash (which work is hereinafter referred to as PROJECT); and

WHEREAS, COUNTY proposes to design and construct PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITY and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, PROJECT is of general interest to CITY and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, the total PROJECT cost is estimated to be Two Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$200,000.00) with the City of Azusa's share of PROJECT currently estimated to be One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00), and COUNTY'S share of PROJECT currently estimated to be One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements are worthwhile and of general County interest; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles intends to contribute Highways-Through-Cities funds estimated to be One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00) toward CITY'S share of PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the flashing beacon on Lark Ellen Avenue at Little Dalton Wash will be maintained by the County according to the terms and conditions of the existing Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement 40790 between the City and County.

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1683 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 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 Highways-Through-Cities aid to the CITY in the amount of One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the PROJECT from the Road Fund to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Highway Users Tax.

SECTION 3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to approve up to 10 percent of the COUNTY'S estimated Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of Ten Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) for any costs of unforeseen items that may occur, thereby increasing the maximum COUNTY'S Highways-Through-Cities contribution from One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00) to One Hundred Ten Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$110,000.00).

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

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 29th day of July, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessments and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles



By Carla Little
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI
County Counsel

By Julia Weisner
Deputy

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