RESOLUTION NO. 2014-253

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR LIGHT RAIL TROLLEY GRADE SEPARATIONS AND STATIONS TO THE BLUE LINE LIGHT RAIL, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO MAKE SUCH NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGES DEEMED NECESSARY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITY, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City desires to work with SANDAG in order to make rail corridor improvements through Chula Vista; and

WHEREAS, the City and SANDAG each have projects in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) related to making these rail corridor improvements; and

WHEREAS, the projects lie entirely within the jurisdiction of the City of Chula Vista, but technical assistance on a regional level is required of SANDAG for improvements within and adjacent to the rail corridor; and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 2012, in order to determine ultimate light rail trolley improvements and make at-grade rail crossing improvements through Chula Vista, the City Council approved Resolution No. 2012-118 entering into three Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with SANDAG to define funding, cost sharing and roles between the City, SANDAG, and SANDAG's consultant team on three Capital Improvement Projects STM-361, TF-383 and TF-319; and

WHEREAS, the initial MOU for STM-361 is related to the preparation of an environmental document that will consider project alternatives for grade-separating the Blue Line Light Rail Trolley crossing at Palomar Street and commensurate station improvements; and

WHEREAS, this initial MOU has an expiration date of December 31, 2014; however, it is necessary to extend the expiration date until June 30, 2016, in order to complete the environmental document, the final project invoicing, accounting and close out documentation to Caltrans and Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, as of June 2014, the Palomar Street rail crossing is ranked as the County of San Diego's highest priority location for grade-separation; and

WHEREAS, the project associated with the second MOU, construction of the ultimate rail crossing improvements and roadway improvements at Industrial Blvd. and the intersections with Moss St. and Naples St. (TF-383), has already been completed; and

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WHEREAS, the project associated with the third MOU, construction of ultimate rail crossing improvements and roadway improvements at Industrial Blvd. and the intersection with Anita Street (TF-319), is currently under construction; and

WHEREAS, approving the extension date for the STM-361 MOU from December 31, 2014 to June 30, 2016, will address the need to continue work on the Light Rail Grade Separation work at the Palomar Street rail crossing location; and

WHEREAS, the extension date is the only change needed in the current MOU.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista that it does hereby agree to amend a Memorandum of Understanding with the San Diego Association of Governments for contract Number 5004169 regarding environmental document work for the Blue Line Light Rail crossing at Palomar Street, authorize the City Attorney to make such non-substantive changes deemed necessary for the benefit of the City and authorize and direct the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Presented by

Approved as to form by

Richard A. Hopkins

Glen R. Googins

Director of Public Works

City Attorney

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, California, this 16th day of December 2014 by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers:

Aguilar, Bensoussan, McCann and Salas

NAYS:

Councilmembers:

None

ABSENT:

Councilmembers:

None



ATTEST:

Donna R. Norris, CMC, City C	Clerk	
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)	
CITY OF CHULA VISTA)	

I, Donna R. Norris, City Clerk of Chula Vista, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2014-253 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of the Chula Vista City Council held on the 16th day of December 2014.

Executed this 16th day of December 2014.

