



# City of Chula Vista

## Staff Report

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-069 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AMENDING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SMART GROWTH INCENTIVE PROGRAM - CYCLE 4 THROUGH THE SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FOR PHASE 3 OF THE THIRD AVENUE STREETScape PROJECT FROM F STREET TO E STREET, AND STATING THE CITY'S ASSURANCE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Council adopt the resolution.

### **SUMMARY**

On March 6, 2018, per Resolution No. 2018-038, the City Council approved the submittal of a grant application for the Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP) Cycle 4 through the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) for Phase 3 of the Third Avenue Streetscape Project from F Street to E Street, and stating the City's assurance to complete the project. The City is requesting an amendment to said application to update the listed project cost and the associated local match required to complete the project.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

#### **Environmental Notice**

The Project was adequately covered in previously adopted/certified Final Environmental Impact Report, FEIR-06-01 for the Chula Vista Urban Core Specific Plan (UCSP) and any and all addenda and amendments.

#### **Environmental Determination**

The Director of Development Services has reviewed the proposed project for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the project was adequately covered in previously adopted Final Environmental Impact Report for the Chula Vista Urban Core Specific Plan (UCSP), Final Environmental Impact Report-06-01 ("FEIR-06-01"). Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) on April 26, 2007 the City, acting as Lead Agency, certified FEIR-06-01 for the UCSP. On January 25, 2011, the City, acting as Lead Agency, having found and determined that certain amendments to the UCSP, including the referenced Third Avenue Streetscape improvements, would not result in significant unmitigated impacts and that only minor technical changes or additions to FEIR-06-01 were necessary and that none of the conditions described in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines calling for the preparation of a subsequent environmental document had occurred, adopted an Addendum to FEIR-06-01. Therefore, no further CEQA actions or determinations are necessary.

### **BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION**

Not applicable.

## **DISCUSSION**

On December 15, 2017, the SANDAG Board of Directors released the call for projects for SGIP - Cycle 4. City staff has already prepared design plans for Third Avenue Streetscape - Phase 3, that continues the design aspects incorporated into Phases 1 & 2 (from H Street to F Street), but also addresses new storm water compliance requirements and incorporates additional Complete Streets and Smart City improvements. The construction of Phase 3 will complete the overall Third Avenue Streetscape Project.

The initial project cost that was listed in the grant application was estimated at \$4,000,000, of which, the SGIP grant would provide a maximum of \$2,500,000 toward the project and would require a \$1,500,000 local fund match. After a more detailed cost estimate was completed, which includes updated design and construction requirements, the overall project cost increased by \$700,000 to a total of \$4,700,000 (Attachment 1). In anticipation of receiving the SGIP grant for this project, the new required local fund match of \$2,200,000 is programmed in the upcoming Fiscal Year 2018/19 Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

In order for SANDAG to accept the grant application for the Third Avenue Streetscape - Phase 3 project, a Council Resolution is required that reflects the updated project cost estimate and associated local fund match for the project.

## **DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT**

Staff has reviewed the property holdings of the City Council and has found that, Mayor Mary Salas has real property holdings within 500 feet of the boundaries of the property which is the subject of this action. Consequently, pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 2, sections 18700 and 18702.2(a)(11), this item presents a disqualifying real property-related financial conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act (Cal. Gov't Code § 87100, et seq.) for the above -identified member.

Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any City Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

## **LINK TO STRATEGIC GOALS**

The City's Strategic Plan has five major goals: Operational Excellence, Economic Vitality, Healthy Community, Strong and Secure Neighborhoods and a Connected Community. The overall Third Avenue Streetscape project supports the Strong and Secure Neighborhoods goal. The project facilitates mixed-use, transit oriented development, that incorporates the City's Complete Streets policy that addresses the needs for all modes of transportation for residents and visitors of the City alike.

## **CURRENT YEAR FISCAL IMPACT**

A total of \$2,200,000 in TransNet funds, identified as matching funds in the grant application, will be budgeted as part of the FY 2018/19 CIP Program. Sufficient TransNet funds will be available in FY 2018/19; therefore, there is no additional impact to this fund.

If any of the grants are awarded, staff will return to City Council with a recommendation to accept and

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appropriate the funds as part of the Third Avenue Streetscape Project Phase 3. If the project is not awarded grant funding, the TransNet matching funds will be reprogrammed into the FY 2018/19 CIP Program into congestion relief eligible projects.

#### **ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT**

Upon construction completion, the Third Avenue Village Association (TAVA) and the City will update an existing maintenance agreement to determine responsibilities for the streetscape's maintenance. In general, the roadway, traffic signals, street lighting, street trees, and street pavers (for line and grade only) will require routine maintenance.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Cost Estimate: Third Av Streetscape - Phase 3

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