



**CITY OF SALINAS  
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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**DEPARTMENT:** PUBLIC WORKS

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**TITLE:** AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SALINAS AND THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY FOR THE ROUNDABOUT AT THE DAVIS ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND ROAD WIDENING PROJECT

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a Resolution approving an agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey for the Roundabout at the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a resolution approving an agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey for the Roundabout at the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Monterey County is proposing to implement the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project (Project). In order for the County to construct the Project, the access to the City of Salinas Industrial Wastewater Facility (IWTF) must be relocated. The Agreement will provide Monterey County a permanent roadway easement and a temporary construction easement from City parcel APN 207-201-001 to enable the Project. The Agreement also provides Pacific Gas and Electric Company a utility easement along its frontage with Davis Road to relocate an existing natural gas pipeline that conflicts with the bridge construction.

BACKGROUND:

The Monterey County Public Works, Facilities, and Parks Department (MCPWFP) is working on the right-of-way phase of the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project. The Project consists of replacing the existing two-lane, low-level Davis Road bridge crossing the

Salinas River with a longer bridge that meets current American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) requirements. The existing Davis Road bridge is located approximately two miles south of the City of Salinas. The Project also proposes to widen Davis Road from two lanes to four lanes for approximately 2.1 miles between Blanco Road on the north and Reservation Road on the south.

The City IWTF site is located along Davis Road and the access to the site will need to be relocated due to the alignment of the improved roadway and new bridge spanning the Salinas River. MCPWFP staff is working with adjacent property owners to relocate the City's access to Davis Road further north to the intersection of Davis Road and Foster Road. The access will be along a proposed frontage road to be used by the property owners currently accessing Davis Road within the limits of the proposed bridge.

In addition, the Agreement provides 5,243 square feet of permanent roadway easement and 45,614 square feet of temporary construction easement from parcel APN 207-201-001 to construct the Project. The Agreement also provides Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a 19,466 square feet utility easement along its frontage with Davis Road to relocate an existing natural gas pipeline that conflicts with the bridge construction.

The Project is scheduled for construction for Fall 2023, following the acquisition of all the easements and issuance of the regulatory permits for the Project. As part of the Project, existing fencing, gates and other City facilities in conflict with the Project construction will be relocated by the Project at no cost to the City of Salinas.

#### CEQA CONSIDERATION:

On July 11, 2016, the Board of Supervisors certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Project and directed the former Resource Management Agency (RMA) to proceed with the Project's final design and related activities to be able to construct the Project. An EIR Addendum for the Project was prepared to amend the Project design details to incorporate design modifications following the Value Analysis Study Report prepared in 2017. The EIR Addendum was filed and approved by Caltrans on May 8, 2020.

While the project requires a CEQA process, the agreement itself does not constitute a project with respect to CEQA.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The proposed project and agreement relate to the following City Council's Strategic Plan Initiative: Infrastructure and Environmental Sustainability: Benefits and improves the condition of local streets by allowing a transportation project to succeed through cooperation and coordination with Monterey County.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

This project will rely on coordination between the Legal and the Wastewater and Water, Waste and Energy (WWE) divisions in Public Works. WWE will provide administrative and engineering support while the Wastewater Division will need to coordinate on-site activities with MCPWFP.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

This agreement does not require any financial obligations on the part of the City of Salinas other than staff time for the coordination of activities, engineering and administrative tasks. Thus, this action will not involve the expenditure of any funds nor impact the General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Agreement Between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey for the Roundabout at the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project