



CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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TITLE: THE NORTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP 9278) ACCEPTANCE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion accepting the North Main Street Improvement Project (CIP No. 9278) for maintenance and responsibility.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a Resolution accepting the North Main Street Improvement Project (CIP No. 9278) for maintenance and responsibility.

BACKGROUND:

The City has had an adaptive traffic signal system on North Main Street from Bernal Drive to Alvin Drive to optimize throughput progression on North Main Street. The adaptive traffic signal system on North Main Street is called InSync and it is provided by Rhythm. The system uses proprietary algorithms to adjust signal timing, to better adapt to traffic conditions. The system communicates to traffic signals on North Main Street to create green tunnels and reduce travel delays.

The Northridge Mall Expansion project was responsible for mitigating traffic impacts on North Main Street. The project was responsible for extending the adaptive signal system along North Main Street to the traffic signals along the mall's frontage, so that the entire system ran from Bernal Drive to Boronda Rd. The City collected fair share traffic mitigation fees from the Northridge Mall Expansion Project to extend the InSync adaptive signal system coverage along North Main Street.

Bear Electrical Solutions, Inc, was awarded the contract for Traffic Signal Maintenance in December 2018, through Council Resolution No. 21536 (Attachment 1). The contract includes providing preventative and routine traffic signal maintenance, responsive maintenance, emergency repair, inspection support, and supervision for the maintenance of traffic signals within the City of Salinas. Because of the company's in-depth understanding of the City's signal system and InSync

adaptive traffic signal technology, the City's maintenance Contractor was approved to perform the signal modifications needed for the North Main Street Improvement Project. The agreement with Bear Electrical Solutions, Inc for the North Main Street Improvement Project was for \$37,102.50 (Attachment 2).

The project began on April 1, 2021, and work was substantially complete on August 20, 2021. There were no contract change orders on this project. The City monitored construction work to ensure prevailing wage requirements and contract obligations relate to labor compliance were met. On August 12, 2022, all labor compliance discrepancies were resolved for this contract. Now that all contract requirements have been met, staff recommends that the North Main Street Improvement Project be accepted for maintenance and responsibility.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378). In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 includes the general rule that CEQA applies only to activities which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Because the proposed action and this matter have no potential to cause any effect on the environment, or because it falls within a category of activities excluded as projects pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378, this matter is not a project. Because the matter does not cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change on or in the environment, this matter is not a project. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This action does not support a specific City Council Goal.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

There was no impact to the general fund. The signal modifications along North Main Street are part of the Northridge Mall Expansion traffic mitigation program and were funded by development fees.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Attachment 1: Resolution No. 21536

Attachment 2: Agreement with Bear Electrical Solutions, Inc