



CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: MARCH 6, 2018
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
FROM: DONALD REYOLDS, INTERM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
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TITLE: EAST LAUREL DR. PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS, CIP 9220

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a Resolution to approve proposal from Kimley-Horn and Associates for design and environmental compliance for the East Laurel Drive Pedestrian Enhancement Project in the amount of \$524,457.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a resolution approving the proposal from Kimley-Horn and Associates to perform the environmental process and prepare plans, specifications, and estimate for bidding the East Laurel Drive Pedestrian Enhancement CIP Project 9220.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Salinas and various community groups have identified the need to install sidewalk along the north side of East Laurel Drive between Constitution Boulevard and North Sanborn Road, and on the east side of Constitution Boulevard between East Laurel Drive and Manchester Circle (refer to attached location map). Councilmember De La Rosa has raised this project as a priority on several occasions. This is an active pedestrian corridor that provides pedestrian connection between communities in East Salinas and North Salinas to the nearby hospital, social services, soccer fields and the Veteran's Memorial Park.

The City hired the services of Kimley-Horn and Associates for the preparation of the conceptual design of this corridor and preparation of two federal grant applications in 2015 and 2016. The concept has been circulated to various community groups and letters of support have been received from various organizations/agencies for this project as listed below:

Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG);
Building Healthy Communities (BHC);
Center for Community Advocacy (COPA);

Laurel Heights Community Group;
Acosta Plaza Community Group;
Monterey County Health Department;
Monterey County El Camino Real Soccer Leagues; and
Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)

The project scope includes new sidewalk along East Laurel Drive from North Sanborn Road to Constitution Boulevard and on Constitution Blvd. from East Laurel Drive to 350-feet west of Manchester Circle where no sidewalk currently exists; an improved bike lane on East Laurel Drive; trail lighting from St. Edwards up to the trails where Gabilan and Natividad Creek bridges begin; installation of street lighting on East Laurel Drive from Natividad Road to North Sanborn Road; and traffic signal safety modifications and ADA improvements at the East Laurel/Constitution Blvd intersection.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of the project is to improve pedestrian and cyclists' safety along the East Laurel corridor and increase access between neighborhoods and to popular community destinations. The City of Salinas has hosted three community meetings for this project. The last community meeting was held at the Breadbox on November 14, 2017 and was focused on receiving comments from the community of what they liked and not liked about the conceptual design. Each comment was reviewed and incorporated in the attached concept plan.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Part of Kimley-Horn's scope of services includes the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process. This consultant will prepare technical studies and conform to the CEQA process and City policies, including biological, cultural and hazardous material reviews. A draft Initial Study and likely a final mitigated negative declaration (MND) will be presented to the Planning Commission and Salinas City Council for approval at a later date.

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This item relates to the Strategic plan of "Well Planned City and Excellent Infrastructure". The project is listed as a priority to design and seek funding in the City Council Goals. Two federal grants were submitted in 2015 and 2016 to fund this project. Unfortunately, the City was not a recipient of the grants, however funding is now available through Measure X funds to design and construct the project. Construction is scheduled for Summer 2019.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

As of January 31, 2018, the current budget for Project 9220--East Laurel Drive Sidewalk and Lights and project 9253 ADA Traffic Signal Upgrades is as follows:

	FY 17-18				
CIP #	Funding Source	Appropriations	Expenditures as of 1/31/18	Encumbrances as of 1/31/18	Available Budget
9220	Measure X-2510	801,262.01	73,309.10	6,567.24	721,385.67
9253	Measure X-2510	25,000.00	-	-	25,000.00
	TOTAL	826,262.01	73,309.10	6,567.24	746,385.67

Below is a summary of the projected costs for the design phase:

Description of costs	Cost
Kimley Horn and Associates Fee	\$524,457
FEMA Conditional Letter of Map Revision/Letter of Map Revision amendment, if necessary	\$12,740
Compliance Officer Oversight (1%)	\$5,245
Project Management Oversight and Coordination (8%)	\$41,957
Contingency (5%)	\$26,223
SUBTOTALS	\$610,622

Sufficient funds are available to proceed with the environmental and design phase of this project.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
Location Map
Concept Plan
Kimley-Horn and Associates Proposal
Kimley-Horn and Associates Fee Schedule
Kimley-Horn and Associates Timeline

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