



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Washington Boulevard Project – Project Closure

MEETING DATE: September 3, 2019

Item No. _____

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and adopt the Resolution authorizing the Washington Boulevard Project Closure, including project acceptance, all final project costs, funding closure, and final retention release.

BACKGROUND:

Washington Boulevard is a route of regional significance in the City of Commerce and the Gateway Area of Los Angeles County. Washington Blvd. serves as a key link for goods movement to and from the two major regional ports (Long Beach and Los Angeles), as well as goods movement to and from the two major regional Rail Road Yards (UPC and BNSF). Washington Blvd. also serves as east-west arterial between I-5 and I-710 in the area. Because of such regional significance, the City has received grants and significant funding from Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) as well as a TCIP grant from California Traffic Commission to fund capacity improvements along this movement of goods corridor.

Total approved Funding Budget for the project was \$40 million, of which \$34.8 million was approved for Construction Phase Costs.

On September 25, 2014, the City Council authorized \$28,724,197.73 with contingency for Construction Contract. In addition, as part of the project, City Council approved \$300,000.00 with contingency for the painting of the Washington Bridge at I-5 Bridge Painting on January 3, 2017, and \$1,002,281.93 with contingency for Landscape Improvements at Washington and I-5 Ramps on August 15, 2017. Total approved amount is \$30,026,479.66.

Staff completed processing reimbursement invoices to various funding agencies, and City received all reimbursement payments from various funding agencies. The project can now be closed out, and retention can be released.

ANALYSIS:

It is recommended that the construction contract work performed by Sully Miller is accepted as final in the amount of \$28,724,197.13, which is below the approved amount, and any withheld retention amounts per the contract is released within 35 days of filing Notice of Completion at County Recorder's Office.

It is recommended to approve all project costs, expenses and contracts as final within the approved project budget. Total approved Funding Budget for the project was \$40 million, of which \$34.8 million was approved for Construction Phase Costs. Total Project costs are within the approved funding amount.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approves staff's recommendation
2. Reject staff's recommendation
3. Provide staff with further direction

FISCAL IMPACT:

The costs are already included in approved project budget and funding.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

The issue is applicable to the following 2016 Strategic Plan goal: *"Develop and invest in infrastructure and beautification projects that support economic growth."*

Reviewed by: Vilko Domic, Director of Finance

Approved as to form: Noel Tapia, City Attorney

Respectfully submitted: Edgar P. Cisneros, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

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