



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent  
August 21, 2007

**Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council**  
**Honorable Chair and Members of the Board**

**Title: Supplemental Agreement No. 8 and Appropriations of Funds: Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements Project (PN: HC06)**

**Location/Council District:** Tower Bridge – Capitol Mall (State Route 275) at Sacramento River. Location map - Exhibit A of Resolution. (District 1)

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) authorizing the City Manager to execute a Supplemental Agreement No. 8 in the amount of \$197,000 with PB Americas, Inc; 2) increasing the budget of (PN: HC06) by \$350,000 by transferring: a) \$85,567 (Fund 206) from the Capitol Mall Improvement Project (PN: KD31), b) \$100,000 of General Fund (Fund 101) from the Regional Park/Parkway Acquisition/Development (PN: LV82), c) \$64,433 (Fund 206) from the Docks project, and d) appropriating \$100,000 of Measure A Construction (Fund 201); 3) directing staff to bring a Measure A Construction (Fund 201) reallocation request to the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board for approval; 4) authorizing the City Manager to execute Change Order with Golden State Bridge, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$400,000.

Adopt a **Redevelopment Agency Resolution:** Authorizing the City Manager, as the designated authority for the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento, to allocate \$64,433 (Fund 206) of Tax Increment funds from the Docks project budget to CIP HC06.

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**Presenters:** Not applicable

**Department:** Transportation, Economic Development, and Parks and Recreation

**Division:** Engineering Services, Downtown Development Group, Planning and Development

**Organization No:** 3434, 4451, 4727

## **Description/Analysis**

**Issues:** Approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 8 in the amount of \$197,000 with PB Americas, Inc. is required to provide for the design of additional pedestrian improvements and for engineering services during construction to replace corroded steel posts that support the railings on both sides of the bridge.

The Transportation, Parks and Recreation, and Economic Development departments are requesting that the Tower Bridge Improvement project budget be increased by \$350,000 to construct additional pedestrian and bicycle improvements to enhance access from Old Sacramento to Tower Bridge and the Promenade.

**Policy Considerations:** The action requested herein is consistent with the Sacramento City Code, Title 3 and with the City of Sacramento Strategic Plan goals of improving and expanding public safety.

The recommended actions are consistent with prior City Council and Agency direction related to the implementation of the 2003 Sacramento Riverfront Master Plan.

**Environmental Considerations:** Caltrans, as the lead agency for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), approved the Environmental Impact Report on May 23, 2005, and the FHWA as the lead agency for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) approved the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on June 29, 2005.

### **Rationale for Recommendation:**

**Supplemental Agreement:** Caltrans recently requested the replacement of corroded posts with new replica steel posts. PB Americas, Inc. designed the bridge improvements and should also design any plan revisions such as the shop drawings for the corroded steel posts, and the additional pedestrian and bicycle improvements, a portion of which is integral to the bridge.

**Additional Access Improvements:** The additional pedestrian and bicycle improvements significantly enhance access from Old Sacramento to the South Side of Tower Bridge and the Promenade.

**Financial Considerations:** As of July 26, 2007, the Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvement Project (PN: HC06) has a current budget of \$11,635,648, and an unobligated balance of \$1,298,197. The current unobligated fund balance is comprised of federal funds which are not eligible to be used for the additional access improvements.

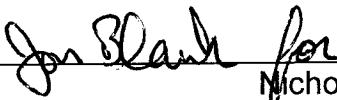
Approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 8 in the amount of \$197,000 provides \$140,000 (from the existing budget) for engineering services during construction to replace the corroded steel posts, and \$57,000 for the design of the additional pedestrian improvements.

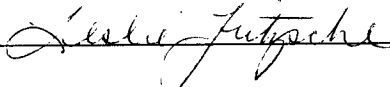
The estimated cost of the additional pedestrian improvements at Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle is \$350,000. The estimated design cost is \$57,000 and the estimated construction cost is \$293,000. The fund allocations to the Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvements Project (PN: HC06) to construct the additional pedestrian enhancements are as follows:

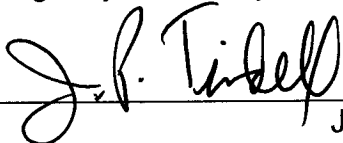
- Transfer \$85,567, fund 206, from the Capital Mall Improvement (PN: KD31);
- Transfer \$100,000 of General Fund (Fund 101) from Regional Park/Parkway Acquisition/Development, (PN: LV82);
- Appropriate \$100,000 from the Measure A Construction (Fund 201);
- Allocate \$64,433 of Docks Project (see attachment Redevelopment Agency resolution).

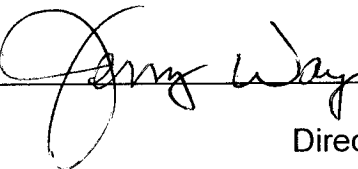
Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board approval is required to complete the Measure A Construction (Fund 201) transfer of \$100,000 to Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements Project (PN: HC06). It is anticipated that the STA Board will approve the reallocation request; however, in the event that the STA Board does not approve the reallocation request, Staff will return to City Council for further budget approvals.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** This is a federally-funded project and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) project participation requirements apply; PB Americas, Inc. met the required 25% DBE goal.

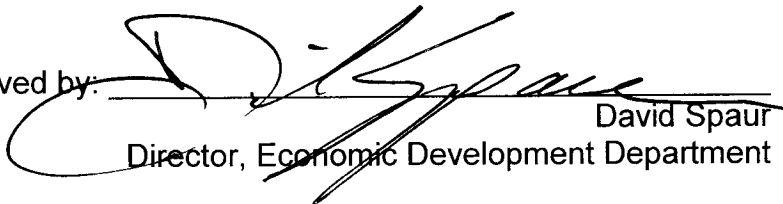
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**Attachment 1**

**Background Information**

Tower Bridge is the primary pedestrian/bikeway connection across the Sacramento River between the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento. The purpose of the Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bikeway Improvements Project (PN: HC06) is to widen the sidewalks, which are currently 3-4 feet, to 10 feet, improve pedestrian safety and bicyclist access, while maintaining the current width of vehicular travel lanes over the bridge.

City Council previously approved a Consultant Services Agreement with PB Americas, Inc, for the Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvements Project in the amount of \$699,964 on July 18, 2001. Supplemental Agreements No. 1 through No. 7 in the aggregate amount of \$1,577,766 were approved by City Council to compensate the consultant for providing additional engineering and environmental documentation, fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) design for the lift span sidewalk in place of aluminum decking, additional permitting and right-of way work, and services requested by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP).

Approval of a Supplemental Agreement No. 8 with PB Americas, Inc is requested to provide assistance during construction, coordination of meetings with Caltrans and FHWA, preparation of plan revisions, as well as shop drawing review and plan submittals. The supplemental agreement includes the design of additional pedestrian and bicycle improvements at the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle.

The State of California relinquished ownership of the Capitol Mall right-of-way to the City in 2005. The City now has the opportunity, through the Tower Bridge widening project, to improve north/south connectivity from Old Sacramento to the Promenade at the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle, and to improve access from the Old Sacramento public parking garage to the Promenade and the south side of Tower Bridge.

There is, currently, very poor pedestrian/bicycle access from Old Sacramento to the Promenade near Embassy Suites. From Old Sacramento pedestrians and bicyclists are encouraged to cross the historic rail line at the northeast end of the bridge, enter a crosswalk heading east to the public parking garage, then proceed on an angled crosswalk to the southwest corner of the Embassy Suites property. The proposed crosswalk and access ramps along the east end of Tower Bridge would encourage direct pedestrian and bicycle access from Old Sacramento to the Promenade and would reduce public safety risks. These improvements also encourage pedestrian and bicycle trips to the Docks project area and the proposed Promenade extension from O Street to Pioneer Bridge.

The additional improvements include the removal of islands, re-striping of crosswalks, improving access ramps, and implementing additional signage. Embassy Suites currently utilizes Lot X (to the east) for valet services. Since the Redevelopment Agency plans to sell Lot X, Embassy Suites' access to the public garage becomes more important to its operations. All of these proposed enhancements are in addition to the original scope of work and require the existing budget to be increased by \$350,000.

Upon the completion of the design of the proposed improvements at Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle, staff will negotiate the actual cost with the contractor and will prepare a Change Order to be approved by the City Manager.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 8: TOWER BRIDGE  
PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (PN: HC06)**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. Tower Bridge is the primary pedestrian/bikeway connection across the Sacramento River between the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento. The purpose of the Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bikeway Improvements Project (PN: HC06) is to widen the sidewalks, which are currently 3-4 feet, to 10 feet, improve pedestrian safety and bicyclist access, while maintaining the current width of vehicular travel lanes over the bridge.
- B. Approval of a Supplemental Agreement No. 8 with PB Americas, Inc. is requested to provide engineering services during construction, coordination of meetings with Caltrans and FHWA, preparation of plan revisions, as well as reviewing shop drawings and plan submittals. The supplemental agreement includes the design of additional pedestrian and bicycle improvements at the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle.

Section 4. The additional improvements include the removal of islands, re-striping of crosswalks, improving access ramps, and implementing additional signage. Embassy Suites currently utilizes Lot X (to the east) for valet services. Since the Redevelopment Agency plans to sell Lot X, Embassy Suites' access to the public garage becomes more important to its operations. All of these proposed enhancements are in addition to the original scope of work and require the existing budget to be increased by \$350,000.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to execute Supplemental Agreement No.8 in the amount of \$197,000 with PB Americas, Inc.
- Section 2. The budget of PN: HC06 is increased by \$350,000 to provide for the design and construction of additional access improvements to the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle. The FY07/08 CIP

revenue expenditure budgets are amended by transferring \$100,000 (Fund 101) from the Regional Park/Parkway Acquisition/Development (PN: LV82), transferring \$85,567 (Fund 206) from the Capitol Mall Improvements (PN: KD31), appropriating \$64,433 (Fund 206) from the Docks project budget, and appropriating \$100,000 from Measure A Construction (Fund 201) to the Tower Bridge Project (PN: HC06).

Section 3. Staff is directed to bring a Measure A Construction Fund 201 reallocation request to the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board for approval.

Section 4. The City Manager is authorized to execute Change Order with Golden State Bridge, Inc in the amount not to exceed \$400,000 to construct the proposed improvements at Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle.

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## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Redevelopment Agency  
of the City of Sacramento

### **MERGED DOWNTOWN SACRAMENTO REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA: TOWER BRIDGE/CAPITAL MALL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ALLOCATIONS**

#### **BACKGROUND**

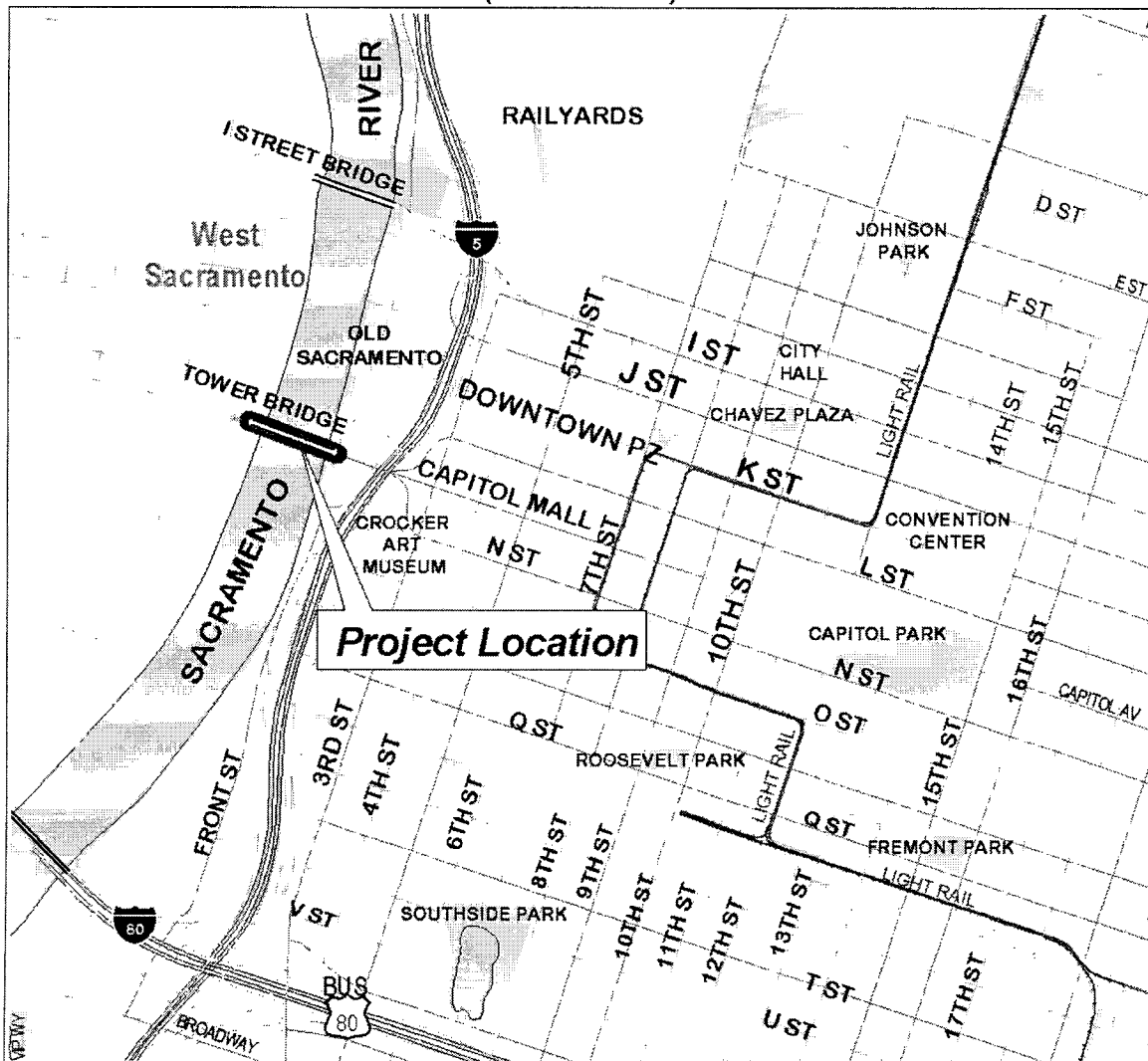
- A. In July 2003, the City Council of the City of Sacramento accepted the Sacramento Riverfront Master Plan (Master Plan). The Master Plan includes the development of a promenade along the River and pedestrianizing Tower Bridge as high priority projects to create a River Walk loop (I Street to Tower Bridge within the Cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento initially and extending to R Street in the future).
- B. In 2005, the City of Sacramento (City) engaged in an extensive community planning process to further define the Docks Area and the Promenade, the City hired Walker Macy to design the extension of the promenade. The opportunity for a better connection between Old Sacramento and the Docks was identified in the planning process.
- C. Tower Bridge and the intersection of Capitol Mall/Neasham is the primary pedestrian/bikeway connection across the Sacramento River between the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento and from Old Sacramento to Miller Park. The north/south connection is critical to the pedestrians to and from the Docks area and Old Sacramento.
- D. Improvements to the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle will reduce safety risks.

#### **BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE AGENCY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. After due consideration of the evidence presented, the findings, including the environmental findings regarding this action as stated in the staff report that accompanies this resolution, are approved.
- Section 2. Appropriate \$64,433 of tax increment funds from the Merged Downtown Development fund from the Docks project budget to CIP HC06;

# EXHIBIT A

## Location Map for Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvements (PN:HC06)



Department of  
**TRANSPORTATION**  
City of Sacramento

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Map Date: March, 2006

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