



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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Consent  
**July 14, 2009**

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

**Title: Transfer of Funds and Project Closeout: Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements Project (K15990000)**

**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) Transferring \$140,000 from the Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Program (T15075900) (Fund 2001) to the Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements Project (K15990000).

**Contact:** Nader Kamal, Special Projects Engineer, (916) 808-7035; Tim Mar, Supervising Engineer, (916) 808-7531

**Presenters:** None

**Department:** Transportation

**Division:** Engineering Services

**Organization No:** 15001131

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issues:** Approval of transfer of funds in the amount of \$140,000 is necessary to close the project and pay for the relocation of the Caltrans utility boxes and the construction of intersection improvements to meet Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Requirements.

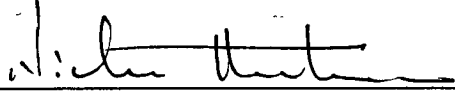
**Policy Considerations:** The action requested herein is consistent with the Sacramento City Code, Title 3 and with the City of Sacramento Strategic Plan goals of improving and expanding public safety.

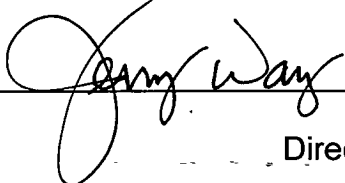
**Environmental Considerations:** Caltrans, as the lead agency for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), approved the Environmental Impact Report on May 23, 2005, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as the lead agency for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) approved the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

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The Departments of Transportation, Parks and Recreation, and Economic Development requested that the Caltrans utility boxes along the riverfront be relocated to the City Garage located at Front Street and various intersection improvements be constructed to improve mobility from Old Sacramento to Tower Bridge and the Promenade and contribute to the overall aesthetic experience of the traveling public and commuters. The relocation of the boxes to a less visible location created greater public space, improved aesthetics in the area and provided improved sidewalk access and width for pedestrians.


**Financial Considerations:** As of June 15, 2009, the Tower Bridge Pedestrian/ Bicycle Improvements Project (K15990000) has a current budget of \$11,673,361. The final estimated total project cost of the project is \$11,813,361. It is requested that a transfer of \$140,000 from the Public Right of Way Accessibility Program (T15075900) (Fund 2001) be completed to cover the shortfall.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by:   
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Engineering Services Manager

Approved by:   
Jerry Way  
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

  
Ray Kerridge  
City Manager

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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, (K15990000), was to widen the sidewalks which are currently 3-4 feet to 10 feet, to improve pedestrian safety and bicyclist access while maintaining the current width of vehicular travel lanes over the bridge.

The City of Sacramento and West Sacramento each paid 50% of the total project cost.

The project has been completed. Approval of the transfer of funds in the amount of \$140,000 is needed to close out the project. The improvements include additional pedestrian improvements at the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle which include ADA compliance work, relocating and removing traffic islands, modifications to the traffic signal to allow pedestrians to cross from the Old Sacramento parking garage to the Embassy Suites and completing the relocation of the Caltrans utility boxes to the City garage.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

**TRANSFERRING OF FUNDS: TOWER BRIDGE PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE  
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (K15990000)**

- 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, (K15990000), was to widen the sidewalks which are currently 3-4 feet to 10 feet, to improve pedestrian safety and bicyclist access while maintaining the current width of vehicular travel lanes over the bridge.
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- C. The project has been completed. Approval of the transfer of funds in the amount of \$140,000 is needed to close out the project. The improvements include additional pedestrian improvements at the intersection of Capitol Mall and Neasham Circle which include ADA compliance work, relocating and removing traffic islands, modifications to the traffic signal to allow pedestrians to cross from the garage to the Embassy Suites and completing the relocation of the Caltrans utility boxes to the City garage.

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

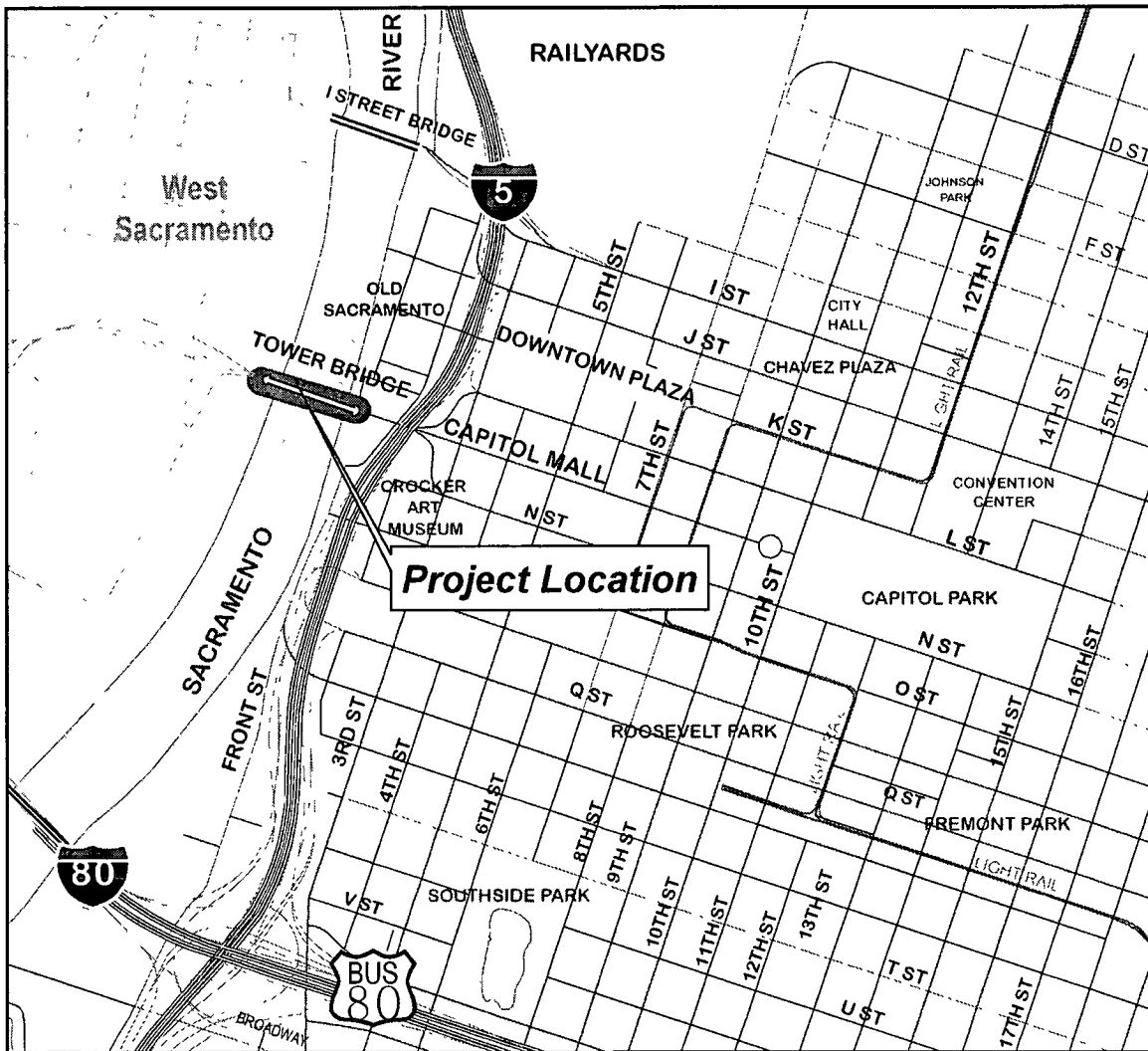
- Section 1. The FY09/10 Transportation Capital Improvement Program budget is amended by transferring \$140,000 from the Public Right of Way Accessibility Program (T15095900) (Fund 2001) to the Tower Bridge Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvement Project (K15990000).

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Exhibit A: Map of Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvements (K15990000)

# EXHIBIT A

## Location Map for Tower Bridge Pedestrian Improvements (PN:K15990000)



Department of  
**TRANSPORTATION**  
City of Sacramento

Map Contact S Tobin  
Map Date January 2008

