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March 15, 1988

Transportation & Community Development Committee
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session

SUBJECT: Richards Extension and State Route 51 Interchange

SUMMARY

This report recommends approval of a resolution reaffirming 100% local funding for proposed State Route 51 and Richards Extension Interchange and certifying that the project is consistent with the Regional Air Quality Plan.

BACKGROUND

This item is scheduled to be heard before the City Council this evening. The Council report is attached for your information.

FINANCIAL

There is no financial impact with this resolution.

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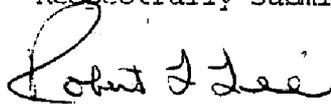
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RECOMMENDATION

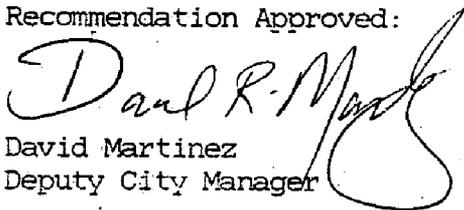
It is recommended that the Transportation and Community Development Committee approve the attached resolution which reaffirms the City's commitment to construct a new interchange on State Route 51 at the Richards Boulevard Extension using local funding sources, and certifies the project as being consistent with the Regional Air Quality Plan and forward this report to the Council with recommendation for approval.

Respectfully submitted,



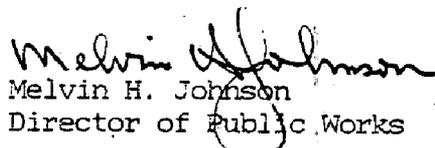
Robert L. Lee
Transportation Division Manager

Recommendation Approved:



David Martinez
Deputy City Manager

Approved:



Melvin H. Johnson
Director of Public Works

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Attachment

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SUBJECT: Richards Extension and State Route 51 Interchange

SUMMARY

Resolution reaffirming 100% local funding for proposed State Route 51 and Richards Extension Interchange and certification that project is consistent with Regional Air Quality Plan. This report was reviewed by the Transportation & Community Development Committee on March 15, 1988.

BACKGROUND

On March 17, 1987 the City Council approved the City's 1987 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) candidate list for consideration in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Included in that list was a new freeway Interchange located on State Route 51 (Business 80) between the E Street Interchange and the American River. This interchange is part of the Richards Extension Project which is currently under review by staff. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is requesting that the local agencies reaffirm their commitments for local funding for this project to be included in the STIP.

In addition, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), in an August 28, 1987 letter to the Director of Public Works, has requested that the City Council certify as consistent with the Regional Air Quality Plan, all projects to be included in the RTIP and STIP.

On October 20 the City Council approved a Resolution (87-872) reaffirming the local funding commitment and certifying the project as consistent with the Regional Air Quality Plan (see attachment). Caltrans staff is requesting that additional information be included in the body of the Resolution.

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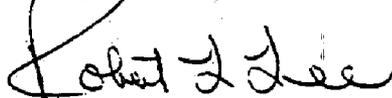
FINANCIAL

There is no financial impact with this resolution. Construction costs and financing techniques will be addressed in the Richards Extension Environmental Impact Report. James B. Lennane has committed to participation in an equitable manner in construction cost (see attached letter).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve the attached resolution which reaffirms the City's position to construct a new interchange on State Route 51 at the Richards Boulevard Extension using solely local funds, and certifies the project as being consistent with the Regional Air quality Plan.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert L. Lee
Transportation Division Manager

Recommendation Approved:

Approved:

Walter J. Slipe
City Manager

Melvin H. Johnson
Director of Public Works

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District 2
March 15, 1988

RESOLUTION No.

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO
REQUESTING THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
TO AMEND THE 1987 STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
BY ADDING A LOCALLY FUNDED PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT AN INTERCHANGE
ON STATE ROUTE 51 (BUSINESS 80) BETWEEN THE E STREET INTERCHANGE
AND THE AMERICAN RIVER

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Sacramento:

WHEREAS, the 1980 Central City Community Plan designates a new interchange on State Route 51 (Business 80) between the E Street Interchange and the American River, and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Central City Community Plan also designates a transportation corridor extending Richards Boulevard to State Route 160 to the proposed new interchange at State Route 51 (Business 80), and

WHEREAS, the City's General Plan adopted by the Council of the City of Sacramento on January 19, 1988 specifically designated both the proposed interchange on State Route 51 (Business 80) between the E Street Interchange and the American River Bridge and the extension of Richards Boulevard from State Route 160 to State Route 51 (Business 80).

WHEREAS, the City's General Plan and Parks Master Plan also designates the City's landfill as a Regional Park, and

WHEREAS, The City has conducted preliminary traffic engineering studies which demonstrate that the construction of the proposed transportation corridor and the new interchange would increase overall capacity and efficiency of vehicle movement and are consequently considered to be integral elements of the City's circulation plan, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Richards Connector would facilitate access to the proposed regional park, and

WHEREAS, the City is currently in the process of preparing an environmental impact report (EIR) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed regional park, the proposed Richards Boulevard extension and the proposed interchange described above, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the environmental analysis under CEQA is to examine the potentially significant impacts of the proposed projects, to assess alternatives to the proposed projects and to analyze feasible mitigation measures available to reduce or avoid the identified potentially significant impacts of the proposed projects, and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Sacramento has also requested that the EIR examine the technical and economic feasibility of the previously described projects, and

WHEREAS, to assure that the EIR adequately assesses the technical and economic feasibility the Council of the City of Sacramento has agreed to fund, in conjunction with Lennane Investments, a geotechnical study of the landfill, and

WHEREAS, in addition to the Interchange, the California Department of Transportation has conditioned conceptual approval of the proposed interchange on the following conditions:

- 1.) That in order to achieve safe operation of the proposed interchange the B Street underpass be replaced so as to allow the minimum of 1000 feet sight distance to the new eastbound off-ramp;
- 2.) That for similar reasons the A Street overcrossing either to be replaced or removed;
- 3.) That reconstruction of the secondary flood control gates and the associated levees be required;
- 4.) That auxiliary traffic lanes in both directions between the existing four lane section just south of the existing E Street ramps and the new interchange ramps be constructed;
- 5.) That special grading within the sightline limits is necessary to achieve adequate sight distance;
- 6.) That the above described improvements be constructed concurrently with the proposed interchange;
- 7.) That ramp meters be installed on the new interchange and if necessary on the P, J and E Street existing eastbound on-ramps;
- 8.) That construction of the proposed interchange and the above described improvements be locally funded with the exception that Caltrans has indicated a willingness to consider funding that portion of the B Street underpass replacement cost attributable to providing for future mainline freeway widening to 8 lanes.

WHEREAS, the City has placed the proposed interchange and the proposed Richards Extension on its priority list for projects utilizing the proposed 1/2 cent sales tax allocation, and

WHEREAS, THE City ~~is~~ committed to exploring alternative methods of financing including, but not limited to, creating a benefit assessment district and/or Mello-Roos district if the 1/2 cent sales tax proposal is unsuccessful, and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Sacramento has determined that the proposed interchange is consistent with the City of Sacramento Air Quality Plan dated November, 1981, and has specifically determined that the proposed transportation corridor and proposed interchange will allow for in-fill development which will provide an opportunity for the reduction of vehicle trips and vehicle trip lengths, thereby reducing emissions, and

WHEREAS, all associated land uses within the in-fill area will be required to employ all reasonable and/or feasible means of reducing vehicle trips and vehicle trip lengths,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Sacramento requests: (1) the Sacramento Area Council of Government to amend the Regional Transportation Improvement Program to include a new interchange on State Route 51 (Business 80) between E Street and the American River as a locally funded project with the exception of that amount to be contributed by Caltrans as described in paragraph 8 above.

MAYOR ANNE RUDIN

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK