

## REPORT TO COUNCIL City of Sacramento

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Consent September 28, 2010

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

Title: City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project

(T15065700)

**Location/Council District:** North side of Sutterville Road adjacent to and east of the Sacramento City College campus. (District 5)

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Drake Haglan and Associates in an amount not to exceed \$1,335,000 to complete preliminary engineering and prepare final design for the project; and 2) transferring \$80,000 (Fund 2013) from the Transportation Development Account (TDA) Federal and State Match Project (K19000400) to the project.

Contact: Cecilyn Foote, Associate Civil Engineer (916) 808-6843; Ryan Moore,

Supervising Engineer (916) 808-8279

Presenters: None

**Department:** Transportation

**Division:** Engineering Services

Organization No: 15001121

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** A feasibility study and environmental approval for a new alternative mode connection from the Sacramento Regional Transit Station located on the Sacramento City College campus to Curtis Park Village have been completed.

Execution of the agreement is required to retain a consulting team to provide preliminary engineering and final design services for the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700).

**Policy Considerations:** This project is in accordance with the City Operating Principles of promoting safety and enhancing livability and sustainability.

### **Environmental Considerations:**

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA): On January 7, 2010, the City Council approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration and adopted the Mitigation Monitoring & Reporting Program for the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700) pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). There is no substantial evidence that the project, with the adoption of the mitigation measures identified in the Initial Studies, will have a significant effect on the environment.

It is anticipated that construction of the project will be federally funded. As a result, it is also subject to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). On May 26, 2010, the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Categorical Exclusion for the project pursuant to the requirements of NEPA.

**Sustainability Considerations:** This project is consistent with Sustainability Master Plan goals to help to enhance the pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way, encourage the use or transit, reduce dependence on the private automobile, and to encourage pedestrian trips.

Other: None.

Commission/Committee Action: None.

Rationale for Recommendation: A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised for consultant services to perform preliminary engineering and prepare the final design for the project. A panel, consisting of City staff from Department of Transportation Engineering Services Division, Department of General Services and a representative from the development firm, reviewed and evaluated written proposals based on experience, qualifications, and a proposed work plan for the project. Based on this, the panel held interviews with the three highest ranked firms. Drake Haglan and Associates was selected by the panel as the top-ranked firm.

**Financial Considerations:** Currently the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700) has a total budget of \$1,947,680, consisting of Proposition 1B funds, Transportation Development Act funds and SACOG Community Design funds.

Approval of the transfer of \$80,000 (Fund 2013) from the TDA Federal and State Match Project (K19000400) will increase the total budget to \$2,027,680 and the unobligated balance to \$1,527,680, which is sufficient to execute the Consultant Agreement with the Drake Haglan and Associates for an amount not to exceed \$1,335,000. There are no general funds planned or allocated for this project.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** The City's E/SBE goal is 20%. Drake Haglan and Associates has attained 57.57% E/SBE participation.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Nicholas Theocharides

Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: \_\_\_

Jerry Way
Director of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

Gus Vina Interim City Manager

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### **Attachment 1**

### **Background**

In 2006 the City received a \$443,000 grant from SACOG through the Community Design program to prepare a feasibility study for an alternative modes crossing between the Sacramento City College campus and the proposed Curtis Park Village development. The study concluded that both at-grade crossing options as well as tunnel options were infeasible, and that a bridge solution was the preferred alternative.

The project encourages bicycle and pedestrian trips, supports transit ridership, and enhances a mixed-use infill development project by providing an important accessible alternative modes link from the proposed development site to destinations west of the railroad tracks.

The City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700) proposes to construct a new bicycle/pedestrian crossing that will extend from the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Station at Sacramento City College to the existing and proposed new neighborhoods east of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks. The new crossing will provide a safe and convenient traverse between the LRT station and the proposed Curtis Park Village residential/commercial development project and existing Curtis Park neighborhood.

On January 7, 2010, City Council approved the Feasibility Study Report and Mitigated Negative Declaration and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Reporting Plan. Additionally, an environmental analysis was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) since it is anticipated that the project will receive federal funds. On May 26, 2010, the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Categorical Exclusion for the project pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised for consultant services to perform preliminary engineering and prepare the final design for the project. Eight firms responded:

- AECOM
- David Evans & Associates
- Drake Haglan & Associates
- Dokken Engineering
- ISL Engineering / ADKO Engineering
- MGE Engineering
- Quincy Engineering
- Stantec

A panel, consisting of City staff from the Department of Transportation, Engineering Services Division and Department of General Services and a representative from the

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development firm, reviewed and evaluated written proposals based on experience, qualifications, and a proposed work plan for the project. Based on this, the panel held interviews with the three highest ranked firms. It was determined by the panel that Drake Haglan and Associates was the top-ranked firm.

### **Attachment 2**

### **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### CITY COLLEGE LIGHT RAIL STATION PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE CROSSING PROJECT (T15065700)

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The project proposes to construct a new bicycle/pedestrian crossing that will extend from the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Station at Sacramento City College to the existing and proposed new neighborhoods east of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks.
- B. On January 7, 2010, City Council approved the Feasibility Study Report and Mitigated Negative Declaration and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Reporting Plan. On May 26, 2010, the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Categorical Exclusion for the project pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).
- C. The Department of Transportation (DOT) advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for consultant services to perform preliminary engineering and prepare the final design for the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project. Eight firms responded to the RFP. A panel, consisting of City staff from Department of Transportation Engineering Services Division, the Department of General Services and a representative from the development firm, reviewed and evaluated written proposals based on experience, qualifications, and a proposed work plan for the project. Based on this, the panel held interviews with the three highest ranked firms. It was determined by the panel that Drake Haglan and Associates was the top-ranked firm.

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

- Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Drake Haglan and Associates in the amount not to exceed \$1,335,000 for the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700).
- Section 2. The FY10/11 Capital Improvement Program budget is amended by

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transferring \$80,000 from the TDA Federal and State Match Project (K19000400) to the City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700).

Section 3. Exhibit A is hereby incorporated into and is a part of this Resolution.

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Exhibit A: Map of City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project

### **EXHIBIT A**

# Location Map for City College Light Rail Station Pedestrian/Bicycle Crossing Project (T15065700)

