

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-783

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF NOV 13 2003

**GATEWAY PARK BOULEVARD TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT (PN: TW26) –
APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, APPROPRIATE FUNDS,
AWARD CONTRACT, CONSIDERING THE ADDENDUM TO THE
GATEWAY PARK BOULEVARD NEGATIVE DECLARATION, AND
ADOPTING THE MITIGATION REPORTING PLAN**

WHEREAS, Environmental Planning Services has prepared an Addendum to the Negative Declaration adopted by City Council in 1991 for the above project;

WHEREAS, on the basis of the whole record before it, the City has determined that there is no substantial evidence that the project, with implementation of the mitigation measures as identified in the Addendum, would have a significant effect on the environment;

WHEREAS, the Negative Declaration with the Addendum reflects the lead agency's independent judgement and analysis;

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the Negative Declaration with the Addendum and determined that the environmental impacts of the proposed Gateway Park Boulevard Widening project are within the scope of analysis contained in the Negative Declaration. Only technical changes as noted in the Addendum are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City Council conducted a public hearing on November 18, 2003 to consider adopting the Gateway Park Widening and Traffic Signal project. Based on documentary and oral evidence submitted at said public hearing, the City Council hereby finds the adoption of the Gateway Park Widening and Traffic Signal project is consistent with the General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

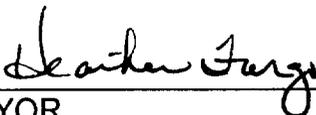
1. The plans and specifications for the Gateway Boulevard Traffic Signal Project (PN: TW26) are approved;

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2. The FY 03-04 Capital Improvement Program budget is amended by appropriating \$280,000 (219-710-7012) to the Gateway Park Boulevard Traffic Signal Project (PN: TW26).
3. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute a contract with DeSilva Gates Construction in the amount of \$786,242 (\$770,000-Fund 780 and \$16,242-Fund 219) for the Gateway Park Boulevard Traffic Signal Project (PN: TW26).
4. The Gateway Park Boulevard Traffic Signal (PN: TW26) Mitigation Reporting Plan (Exhibit A) is adopted; and
5. The Addendum to the adopted Gateway Park Boulevard Negative Declaration (E91-001) is considered (Exhibit B).



MAYOR

ATTEST:



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**Gateway Park Boulevard Widening and Signalization Project (TW26)
Mitigation Reporting Plan**

In January 1989, Assembly Bill 3180 went into effect requiring the City to monitor all mitigation measures applicable to the project and included in the original Gateway Park Negative Declaration. For this project, mitigation reporting will be performed by the City of Sacramento Public Works Department in accordance with the monitoring and reporting program developed by the City to implement AB 3180.

This Mitigation Reporting Plan is being prepared by the Planning and Building, Environmental Planning Services, 1231 I Street, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 264-5842, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Guidelines, Section 21081.

The Public Works Department will submit its completed Reporting Plan to the Environmental Planning Services for inclusion in the annual report to the City Council.

Project Number: CIP #TW26

Project Name: Gateway Park Boulevard Widening and Signalization

Project Location: The project is located in the North Natomas Community Plan area on Gateway Park Boulevard from approximately 500 feet south of the Arena/North Market Boulevard on the south to Sports Drive on the north.

Project Description: The City of Sacramento Public Works Department is proposing to widen Gateway Park Boulevard (500' south of Arena/North Market Boulevard to Sports Drive) to the designated four lanes. The project will also install a median and signalization at the intersection with Arena/North Market Boulevard. The signalization will include all the necessary improvements including pedestrian signals and crosswalks, ADA compliant curb ramps, traffic signals, and loop sensors. Additional drain inlets and leads will also be constructed to connect to the existing drainage system.

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MITIGATION REPORTING PROGRAM CHECKLIST FOR THE GATEWAY PARK BOULEVARD WIDENING AND SIGNALIZATION PROJECT (CIP# TW26)

Mitigation Measure	Reporting Milestone	Reporting/Responsible Party	VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE	
			Initials	Date Remarks
CULTURAL RESOURCES				
<p>1. If subsurface archaeological or historical remains (including unusual amounts of bones, stones, or shells) are discovered during excavation or construction, work in the area shall stop immediately and a qualified archaeologist and a representative of the Native American Heritage Commission shall be consulted to develop, if necessary, further mitigation measures to reduce any archaeological impact to a less-than-significant level before construction continues.</p>	<p>During construction</p>	<p>Public Works Department and Contractor</p>		
<p>2. If human burials are encountered, all work in the area shall stop immediately and the Sacramento County Coroner's office shall be notified immediately. If the remains are determined to be Native American in origin, both the Native American Heritage Commission and any identified descendants must be notified and recommendations for treatment solicited (CEQA Section 15064.5); Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5; Public Resources Code Section 5097.94 and 5097.98.</p>	<p>During construction</p>	<p>Public Works Department and Contractor</p>		

FINDINGS

Introduction

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000) (CEQA) and Section 15153 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City has concluded that the Negative Declaration for the Gateway Park Boulevard (E91-001) project adequately describes the environmental effects of the proposed Gateway Park Boulevard Widening project. The Adopted Negative Declaration evaluated the potential environmental impacts resulting from the development of Gateway Park Boulevard. The addendum to the Adopted Negative Declaration provides a description of the proposed widening project and an evaluation of the potential differences in environmental impacts relative to what was disclosed in the original Adopted Negative Declaration.

Relationship of the Proposed Project to the Gateway Park Boulevard (E91-001) Negative Declaration

The original Negative Declaration for Gateway Park Boulevard evaluated entitlements for a North Natomas Community Plan Amendment to reduce East Loop Road (Gateway Park Boulevard) from the proposed six lane arterial to four lanes between Stadium (Arena) Boulevard and Arco Arena Boulevard (Truxel Road) and a street name change to Gateway Park Boulevard; and the development of the arterial. The proposed widening of Gateway Park Boulevard and signaling its intersection with Arena Boulevard will not result in any additional impacts than those previously evaluated and identified in the original Gateway Park Boulevard Negative Declaration (E91-001).

It has been determined that implementation of the proposed project would not create any new or additional significant environmental impacts that were not already evaluated in the adopted Negative Declaration, nor would it increase the severity of any such impacts. As a result, an addendum to the Adopted Negative Declaration was prepared in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines 15164. Therefore, no new findings with respect to the impacts of the proposed project are warranted. The addendum summarizes the details and/or modifications to the Adopted Negative Declaration.

Decision not to prepare a Subsequent Negative Declaration/Conclusion

CEQA Section 15162 requires the preparation of a Subsequent Negative Declaration when substantial changes to a project will require revisions to a previous Negative Declaration due to:

- involvement of new significant environmental effects; or
- a substantial increase in severity of previously identified environmental effects; or
- new information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the negative declaration was adopted; or

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- mitigation measures previously found not to be feasible would in fact be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure; or
- mitigation measures which are considerably different from those analyzed in the previous negative declaration would substantially reduce one or more significant effects on the environment, but the project proponents decline to adopt the mitigation measure

Under the proposed project, the City has determined that an Addendum is appropriate to make the Negative Declaration for Gateway Park Boulevard (E91-001) adequate to address the impacts of the Gateway Park Widening Project (TW26). The adopted mitigation measures and impact conclusions in the Gateway Park Boulevard Negative Declaration (E91-001) remain unchanged. Applicable mitigation measures to the proposed Gateway Park Boulevard Widening and Traffic Signal Installation project are attached.

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