




March 1, 2021

To: Regional Planning and Highways Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer 

Subject: Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project Between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority proposes to enter into a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation to define roles, responsibilities, and funding obligations for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates, and advertisement and award of the construction contract for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3300 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$450,000, to provide oversight of the plans, specifications, and estimates, and to advertise and award the construction contract for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.

Discussion

The State Route 57 (SR-57) Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue (Project) is part of Project G in the Measure M2 (M2) freeway program, and is included in the updated Next 10 Delivery Plan adopted by the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors (Board) in November 2019. The Project is scheduled to move into the design phase using previously approved M2 and federal funding.

The Project will add one general purpose (GP) lane in the northbound direction on the SR-57 freeway between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue. The

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Project will construct the missing section of the fifth GP lane, extend the existing auxiliary lane from the Orangewood Avenue off-ramp to the Katella Avenue off-ramp, improve the Katella Avenue off-ramp to provide additional storage capacity, and extend the merge length between the existing freeway on-/off-ramps to improve weaving distance. The final environmental document was signed on March 29, 2019, and build alternative 2 was identified as the preferred alternative by the Project development team.

OCTA proposes to enter into a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to define the roles and responsibilities of both agencies. OCTA is the implementing agency for the plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E), and Caltrans will provide oversight and independent quality assurance of the PS&E production to ensure the Project meets Federal Highway Administration and Caltrans standards. Caltrans' oversight of the PS&E will be at no cost to OCTA.

Caltrans will be responsible for the advertisement and award of the construction contract. As part of the PS&E phase, OCTA will reimburse Caltrans, in the amount of \$450,000, for the direct support costs associated with the final contract document packaging, advertisement, and award of the construction contract for the Project. The construction phase roles, responsibilities, and funding will be the subject of a separate future cooperative agreement.

Staff will return to the Board with a separate item to seek approval to release a request for proposals to procure a consultant for the PS&E services for the Project.

Fiscal Impact

Funding for the Project is included in the proposed OCTA's Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget, Capital Programs Division, Account 0017-7519-FG104-02K, and will be funded with a combination of federal Highway Infrastructure Program, Local Partnership Program formula, and local M2 funds.

Summary

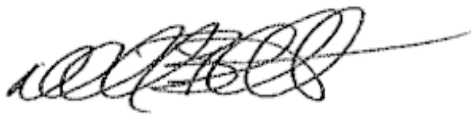
Staff requests the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3300 with the California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$450,000, to provide oversight of the plans, specifications, and estimates, and to advertise and award the construction contract for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.

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Attachment

None.

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