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City of Anaheim

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

March 1, 2018

Jamie N. Reyes, PE OC Public Works 300 N. Flower St. Santa Ana, CA 92705

Subject: Support for the Proposed Amendment to Master Plan of Arterial

Highways for Esperanza Road and Fairmont Connector and Consent to Orange County Public Works to Act as the Lead for the MPAH

Amendment Effort

Dear Ms. Reyes:

The City of Anaheim is pleased to support the Orange County Public Works (OCPW) request to the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) for approval of an amendment to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways. We also agree and support OCPW acting as the lead for this MPAH Amendment effort. This amendment would reclassify Esperanza Road between Imperial Highway and Fairmont Connector, from its current Major Arterial designation to a Primary Arterial. The amendment would also reclassify the Fairmont Boulevard Connector, between Esperanza Road and Fairmont Boulevard, from its current Major Arterial designation to a Primary Arterial. We appreciate this opportunity to comment, as this roadway segment is adjacent to the City of Anaheim.

As indicated in the attached letter from OCPW dated February 27, 2018, the proposed MPAH amendment is requested in conjunction with a proposed roadway project to reconfigure Esperanza Road and Fairmont Connector to add bicycle facilities. The Esperanza Road Bikeway Improvement Project is identified as Segment H in the OCTA Bikeway Collaborative Plan. As indicated in the attached letter, the project goal is a continuous bikeway facility that will connect the El Cajon Trail to the Santa Ana River Trail. This project will complete an additional segment of the 66-mile long Orange County (OC) Loop multi-use trail. It will also be available and comfortable to a wide range of users and improve bike safety by providing a bike lane as well as a separated paved, off-road and on-road bikeway protected from vehicle traffic.

Our staff has reviewed the proposed amendment and supports the change as it is consistent with the vision for the area to complete the OC Loop, which will help provide additional bicycling opportunities and help decrease auto travel.

200 S. Anaheim Blvd., Suite 276 Anaheim, California 92805

TEL (714) 765-5176 FAX (714) 765-5225 Amendment to Master Plan of Arterial Highways (Esperanza Road and Fairmont Connector) and Consent to Orange County Public Works to Act as the Lead for the MPAH Amendment March 1, 2018

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Please feel free to contact me at (714) 765-5065 or <u>REmami@anaheim.net</u> with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Rudy Emami, P.E.

Public Works Director

Attachments

C: Linda Andal, Interim City Manager Carlos Castellanos, City Engineer Project File





February 27, 2018

Mr. David K. Mori, Esq. Engineering Manager City of Anaheim 200 S Anaheim Blvd. Anaheim, CA 92805

Subject:

Consent to OC Public Works Led MPAH Amendment Request for Esperanza Road

and Fairmont Connector

OC Public Works (OCPW) proposes modifications to the County of Orange Master Plan of Arterial Highways (MPAH) of the following arterial facilities:

- Reclassification of Esperanza Road, between Imperial Highway and Fairmont Connector, from its current Major Arterial designation to a Primary Arterial; and
- Reclassification of Fairmont Boulevard Connector, between Esperanza Road and Fairmont Boulevard, from its current Major Arterial designation to a Primary Arterial.

The reclassification would occur in conjunction with a proposed roadway project to reconfigure Esperanza Road and Fairmont Connector to add bicycle facilities. The Esperanza Road Bikeway Improvement Project is identified as Segment H in the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Bikeway Collaborative Plan. The project goal is a continuous bikeway facility that will connect the El Cajon Trail to the Santa Ana River Trail. Furthermore, it will complete an additional segment of the 66-mile long Orange County (OC) Loop multi-use trail. It will be available and comfortable to a wide range of users and improve bike safety by providing a bike lane as well as separated paved, off-road and on-road bikeway protected from vehicle traffic.

The County respectfully requests your support in this amendment with OCPW being the lead agency for this effort. Please provide your signed consent letter and return via mail or email no later than <u>Monday, March 5, 2018</u> to:

Address: Jamie Reyes

OC Public Works 300 N. Flower Street Santa Ana, CA 92705

Email: Jamie.Reyes@ocpw.ocgov.com





OCPW will be taking the subject MPAH Amendment Request for OCTA Board approval in April 2018. Your consent, if granted, will be used as support documentation to OCPW's MPAH Amendment Request Letter to OCTA.

Should you have any questions or if your response will be late for any reason, please contact Jamie Reyes at (714) 647-3903.

Sincerely,

Nardy Khan, P.E., P.M.P.

Deputy Director, Infrastructure Programs

OC Public Works

cc: Edward Frondoso, OC Public Works/OC Infrastructure Programs/Traffic & Design Jamie Reyes, OC Public Works/OC Infrastructure Programs/Traffic & Design