

December 2, 2024

To: Regional Transportation Planning Committee
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From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the City of Anaheim for the State Route 91 Improvement Project Between State Route 57 and State Route 55

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Overview

On October 17, 2023, the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Anaheim entered into a cooperative agreement to provide project support services for the State Route 91 Improvement Project between State Route 57 and State Route 55. An amendment to the cooperative agreement is needed for additional support services.

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-3-2751 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Anaheim, in the amount of \$1,201,000, for additional project support services. This will increase the maximum obligation of the cooperative agreement to a total value of \$1,446,000.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in partnership with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), is implementing the State Route 91 (SR-91) Improvement Project between State Route 57 and State Route 55 (SR-55) (Project). The Project, also known as Measure M2 (Project I), was advanced as part of the updated Next 10 Delivery Plan approved by the OCTA Board of Directors (Board) in November 2023.

The Project will improve the eastbound (EB) general purpose lanes between La Palma Avenue and SR-55 and provide westbound operational improvements between Lakeview Avenue and SR-55 and between La Palma Avenue and Acacia Street. The Project is being developed as three separate design and construction projects to enhance the participation and competitive bidding of consultants and contractors, with the following project limits:

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- Segment 1 extends from SR-55 to Lakeview Avenue
- Segment 2 extends from La Palma Avenue to SR-55
- Segment 3 extends from Acacia Street to La Palma Avenue

The Project includes improvements to city-owned and operated streets, and traffic facilities, and city utilities impacted by the Project.

On October 17, 2023, OCTA entered into Cooperative Agreement C-3-2751 with the City of Anaheim (City), for city services and pavement mitigation required during the implementation of the Project. The reimbursement to the City includes costs for reviewing and approval of plans, specifications and reports, oversight of construction inspection services for city facilities, review and acceptance of the transportation management plan, traffic engineering, police services during construction of the Project, and funding for project construction-related city street pavement repairs (Attachment A).

An amendment to the cooperative agreement with the City is needed for the maintenance of a masonry block wall required by the project's environmental document near S.A. Recycling LLC (SAR), and the installation of a liner to be installed inside an existing city sewer pipe in the same area. The Project improves EB SR-91 near SAR in the City, and the City issued the adjacent property a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) that requires screening from the freeway for SAR to operate the recycling facility. The block wall will satisfy an environmental commitment of the Project and the City's CUP by providing a wall for visual screening of SAR operations. Since the CUP is the City's requirement, Caltrans requested for the City to maintain the wall, and the City agreed. Additionally, the masonry block wall requires concrete piles as the foundation, and those piles are within seven feet of an existing clay sewer pipe. The installation of a sewer liner is the most cost-effective and efficient option to protect and strengthen the sewer pipe. The installation of the sewer liner, ahead of construction, minimizes the risk of construction delays, and potential conflicts.

Caltrans has refused to assume the maintenance of the masonry wall once it is constructed by the Project. As the project sponsor, OCTA is providing the City a one-time payment for estimated costs for the City to assume the ongoing maintenance of the masonry block wall after construction. OCTA is also providing the City funding to perform the installation of a new liner inside of an existing City sanitary sewer for protection during construction of the wall foundation.

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This amendment will increase the total cooperative agreement value to \$1,466,000. This is Project I in the Next 10 Delivery Plan, and the use of 91 Express Lanes funding is consistent with the Board-approved policy for the use of 91 Express Lanes excess revenues for eligible projects along the SR-91 corridor to improve regional mobility.

Fiscal Impact

Funding for the Project is included in OCTA's Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget, Capital Programs Division, account nos. 0017-7831-FI104-F17, 0017-7831-FI105-F17, and 0017-7831-FI106-F17, and is funded through the 91 Express Lanes excess revenues and local funds.

Summary

Board approval is requested to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-3-2751, between OCTA and the City, in the amount of \$1,201,000, for the maintenance of a masonry block wall required by the project's environmental document and installation of a sewer liner inside an existing sanitary sewer pipe near SAR.

Attachment

A. City of Anaheim, Cooperative Agreement No. C-3-2751 Fact Sheet

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