



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: November 15, 2012

Board Meeting Date: December 11, 2012

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Cooperative Agreement with the San Mateo Transportation Authority for Right-of-Way Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Manager or his designee to execute a Cooperative Agreement for right-of-way services to be provided to the San Mateo Transportation Authority for the Burlingame Interchange Project and other Measure A transportation projects as may be agreed upon.

BACKGROUND:

The San Mateo Transportation Authority ("Authority") is in the process of designing various transportation improvement projects, including the Burlingame Interchange project, using Measure A funding. The Authority does not have the power of eminent domain. The County has assisted the Authority in this manner in the past and again. requested the County assume certain right-of-way acquisition functions for the projects.

DISCUSSION:

The Agreement contemplates services for the Burlingame Interchange Project and other projects upon agreement between the parties. Real Property staff will review and the Office of County Counsel will provide (or contract for) condemnation services in the event an agreement cannot be reached with an owner for the acquisition of property interests necessary for a project. Prior to providing the legal services, the Board of Supervisors would be requested to adopt a Resolution of Necessity to acquire any parcel where negotiations failed. Under the Agreement the Board could elect not to adopt the resolution.

County staff time will be reimbursed by the Authority at current production hourly rates. The Agreement will be effective for a period of ten years.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement and Resolution as to form.

Approval of the Cooperative Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by forging a partnership that facilitates regional solutions to transportation issues.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no cost to the County as the Authority will reimburse the County for the services provided under the agreement.