



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: PUBLIC WORKS

File #: 18-671

Board Meeting Date: 8/7/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: James C. Porter, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Measure K:** Plans and Specifications for Berkshire Avenue at Huntington Avenue Parking Lot Project - located on the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Right of Way [County Project No. OD439, Project File No. E4977000]

RECOMMENDATION:

Measure K: Adopt a resolution:

- A) Adopting the plans and specifications, including conformance with prevailing wage scale requirements, for the Berkshire Avenue at Huntington Avenue Parking Lot Project - North Fair Oaks Area; and
- B) Authorizing the Director of Public Works to call for sealed bids to be received by Tuesday, August 28, 2018, at 2:30 p.m., in the office of the County Manager/Clerk of the Board of Supervisors; and
- C) Authorizing the Director of Public Works to extend the call for bids and bid opening up to sixty (60) calendar days beyond the time and date originally set forth by the Board of Supervisors.

BACKGROUND:

In November 2011, your Board adopted the North Fair Oaks Community Plan. A major component of that plan is the re-design of Middlefield Road between Pacific and Fifth Avenues to create a more attractive street with improved pedestrian and bicycle amenities.

On July 9, 2013, your Board approved the redesign of Middlefield Road in North Fair Oaks from Pacific Avenue to Fifth Avenue using \$12.5 million of **Measure K** funds.

On October 21, 2014, the North Fair Oaks Community Council (Council) presented your Board with recommendations regarding the redesign of Middlefield Road between Pacific and Fifth Avenues and requested that the County proceed with the next steps for the Middlefield Road Improvement Project. The Council's recommendations included redesigning Middlefield Road to include: three traffic lanes (one travel lane in each direction with a center left turn lane), parallel parking (resulting

in fewer on-street parking spaces), bike lanes, and sidewalks wide enough to accommodate street amenities such as benches and other seating, greenery, street and pedestrian lighting, trash and recycling receptacles, street art and public spaces.

Middlefield Road, currently a four-lane road, is a primary thoroughfare in North Fair Oaks for all modes of transportation including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and drivers.

On May 16, 2017, your Board approved an agreement with Half Moon Bay Grading & Paving for the construction of the Middlefield Road Parking Lot located at Middlefield Road and Second Avenue. This Lot was constructed to offset the on-street parking loss that will result from the Middlefield Road Improvement Project.

DISCUSSION:

Middlefield Road currently supports diagonal parking along most blocks between Pacific and Fifth Avenues. The Middlefield Road Improvement Project includes replacing the on-street diagonal parking with parallel parking to create the space needed for wider sidewalks, bike lanes, and landscaping. Both the existing on-street parking shortage and the loss of parking associated with the redesign were identified in the 2011 North Fair Oaks Community Plan and its associated Environmental Impact Report.

The Middlefield Road Improvement Project is anticipated to eliminate approximately forty (40) or more on-street parking spaces along Middlefield Road. The community has identified the importance of mitigating the loss of on-street parking. As a result, the Middlefield Parking Lot was constructed and the County will receive a revocable license from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) for the proposed Berkshire Avenue at Huntington Avenue Parking Lot Project (Project). The Project is designed to replace up to sixteen (16) of the on-street parking spaces that will be eliminated as a result of the Middlefield Road Improvement Project. This is in addition to the Middlefield Road Parking Lot, which replaced forty-three (43) parking spaces.

The Project is located at the intersection of Berkshire Avenue and Huntington Avenue, behind 2940 Middlefield Road. The proposed 0.11-acre asphalt concrete paved parking lot is situated on the SFPUC right of way and the necessary approvals from the SFPUC have been obtained to advertise the Project for construction.

The plans and specifications for the Project have been prepared and staff is recommending that your Board authorize calling for bids for the proposed work.

The Department has determined that this project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15311(b) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines for Implementation, which consists of construction, or placement of minor structures accessory is exempt from review. The Department has filed a Notice of Exemption for a CEQA Categorical Exemption for this project.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

Approval of this action will contribute to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Livable Community by constructing a parking lot for the public in the North Fair Oaks area to help support a more livable community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

A portion of the **Measure K** funds previously approved by your Board for the Middlefield Road Improvement Project will be used for this Project. The total estimated construction cost for this project is \$223,000.

There is no impact to the General Fund.