



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Administering Agency Amendment Modification Summary (E-76) for Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 1 Grant for the Highway 59 Multi-Use Pathway Crossing Project 115047

REPORT IN BRIEF

Consider accepting \$106,000 in Federal grant funds for the preliminary engineering costs associated with the pedestrian crossing project.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Accepting grant revenue from a Federal Grant, through Caltrans, increasing revenue account 450-1104-324.02-00 in the amount of \$106,000; and,
- B. Appropriating the same to account 450-1104-637.65-00-Project 115047 Highway 59 Multi-Use Pathway Crossing; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute all necessary documents.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,
- 2. Approve, subject to conditions other than recommended by staff (identify specific findings and/or conditions amended to be addressed in the motion); or,
- 3. Deny; or,
- 4. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in the motion); or,
- 5. Continue to a future meeting (date and time to be specified in the motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200.

Caltrans Procedures for Administering Local Grant Projects in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) are used to comply with the changes to the programming and funding statutes brought about by Chapter 622 of the Statutes of 1997 (SB 45, Kopp). The procedures have been modified to remain consistent with and complimentary to the various guidelines and policies adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC), including the current 2010 STIP Guidelines (adopted on October 14, 2009).

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Not applicable.

DISCUSSION

The City of Merced applied for an Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant and was awarded funds for the design and construction of a pedestrian crossing on Highway 59 over the BNSF Railroad Crossing. The awarded grant was for \$945,000, of which \$834,000 was for construction, \$106,000 was for design, and \$5,000 was for environmental and Right-of-Way.

The project is located along Highway 59 at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad Crossing and consists of the construction of a multi-use crossing at BNSF railroad, widening of Highway 59 to accommodate the pathway, installation of crossing arms, signs and striping.

Caltrans has sent an Amendment Modification Summary (E-76) for preliminary engineering costs associated with the project. The (E-76) allows for the use of \$106,000 in grant funding for costs associated with design of the project. The project is 100% grant funded and no General Funds will be used.

HISTORY AND PAST ACTIONS

On February 1, 2016, City Council accepted \$5,000 from the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 1 Grant, through Caltrans, for the environmental phase of the pedestrian crossing project.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

Staff recommends accepting grant revenue from a Federal Grant, through Caltrans, increasing revenue account 450-1104-324.02-00 in the amount of \$106,000, and appropriating the same to account 450-1104-637.65-00-Project 115047 Highway 59 Multi-use Pathway Crossing for preliminary engineering costs associated with the project.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Amendment Modification Summary (E-76), dated 8/29/2016
2. Location Map