



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$50,000 for Preliminary Engineering Services for the Installation of an Interconnect with a Traffic Signal at Highway 59 and the Railroad Spur, Project No. 114052

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers an agreement with Union Pacific Railroad for preliminary engineering services for an installation of an interconnect with a traffic signal at Highway 59 and 16th Street.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving an agreement for preliminary engineering with Union Pacific Railroad in the amount of \$50,000 for the traffic signal at Highway 59 and 16th Street; and, authorizing the City Manager or the Assistant City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,
2. Deny; or,
3. Continue to a future meeting (date and time to be specified in the motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200 et seq.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the 2018-19 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

City staff has been in contact with Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) to set up a diagnostic meeting. The diagnostic meeting will include the following stakeholders: UPRR, California Public Utilities Commission, and the City's consultant, JLB Traffic Engineers. UPRR will not attend the meeting without having a signed agreement.

The City received two CMAQ Grants, one for a traffic signal CML-5085(040) and the other for a southbound right-turn lane CML-5085(044). In order to meet funding requirements, staff needs to have this project awarded this year.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

This project was established as a Capital Improvement Project and account 450-1104-637.65-00-114052 contains sufficient funding to cover this agreement.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Union Pacific Railroad Agreement w Exhibit A
2. Location Map