Agenda Report



MEETING DATE: Tuesday, July 9, 2024

TO: City Council

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR LINDBERG

ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR FONTES

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE GREEN VALLEY ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - CAREY AVENUE TO THICKET LN.

NO. ST-24-14523

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution approving the plans and specifications and calling for bids for the Green Valley Road Improvements Project, and, finding the project Categorically Exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, CE Class 1.

DISCUSSION:

The Public Works & Utilities Department plans to reconstruct the pavement and curb ramps on Green Valley Road between Carey Avenue and Thicket Lane. The pavement is deteriorated and many of the curb ramps do not comply with American Disabilities Act guidelines.

Project highlights and enhancements will include:

- Pedestrian enhancements, including reconstructed curb ramps, improving accessibility;
- Upgraded pedestrian signals at Carnation Avenue, improving accessibility;
- New pavement for smooth and safe ride for bicyclists and vehicles and improved pedestrian safety at crosswalks; and
- New striping for improved visibility.

The project qualifies as Categorically Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, CE Class 1, maintenance of existing streets involving no expansion of capacity. Public Works staff has filed a Notice of Exemption with the Santa Cruz County Clerk.

Bid opening is tentatively scheduled for August 27, 2024, and the plans and specifications are on file in the City Clerk's Office. The engineer's estimated construction cost for this project is \$3,100,000. The project is estimated to begin construction in late 2024 or early 2025 with a duration of approximately five months.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

The project supports Strategic Plan Goals: 2-Infrastructure & Environment 5-Public Safety

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient funds available in the currently approved budgets for Gas Tax, SB 1, Measure D, Measure R and Regional Surface Transportation Program Exchange. Specific fund allocations will be provided at construction contract award.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

No reasonable alternatives are known at this time.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):

1) Project Location Map