



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 24, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Transportation Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Amendment Of The South Coast Measure A Bicycle And Pedestrian And Safe Routes To School Programs Cooperative Agreement

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council amend the Cooperative Agreement between the City and the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for Cycle I of the Measure A South Coast Bicycle and Pedestrian and Safe Routes to School Programs to extend the deadline for timely use of funds for the Bikestation Module at the Transit Center and Cleveland School Pedestrian Improvements Projects to December 30, 2015.

DISCUSSION:

On July 3, 2012, Council approved the Measure A Cycle I Cooperative Agreement (Cooperative Agreement) with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), for seven projects. Five of the seven funded projects have been completed. The remaining two, Cleveland School Pedestrian Improvements (Cleveland Project), in the grant amount of \$46,000, and the Bikestation Module at the Transit Center (Bikestation Module), in the grant amount of \$120,000, will not be completed by the June 30, 2014 deadline.

Due to project delays associated with both the Bikestation Module and the Cleveland Project, on March 17, 2014 the City of Santa Barbara Public Works Department requested an 18-month time extension from SBCAG for these two projects, which were awarded for funding in Cycle 1 of the Measure A grant. The Bikestation Module was delayed during the design process because the lead consultant left his firm, and the Cleveland Project was delayed as a result of the City's assigned project engineer leaving the City. Council awarded the construction contract for the Cleveland Project on June 3, 2014, and construction of the Bikestation Module will be out to bid this summer. Both projects will be completed prior to the revised deadlines.

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Per the Cooperative Agreement, agencies implementing a Measure A project through the competitive programs may request that the SBCAG Board approve a timely use of funds deadline extension that is incorporated into the Cooperative Agreement approved by SBCAG and the agency's policy body (e.g. City Council). The length of allowable extension requests varies from 6 to 18 months, depending on the project category. Extensions are one-time only. If a project is unable to expend funds before the extended deadline, the funds are forfeited back to SBCAG for reallocation.

On June 19, 2014, the SBCAG Board will approve the 18-month time extension request, making December 15, 2015, the new deadline. Council is also required to amend the Cooperative Agreement to allow this 18-month time extension.

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