Agenda Item No. 7

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CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: October 7, 2008

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Approval Of An Increase In Right Of Way And Relocation Services For The Haley Street Bridge Replacement Project

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize the Public Works Director to increase Agreement No. 22,544 with Hamner, Jewell & Associates for extra services in the amount of $10,000, for a revised contract total of $105,700 for the Haley Street Bridge Replacement Project.

DISCUSSION:

A contract for professional right of way (ROW) and relocation services was entered into with Hamner, Jewell & Associates (HJA) in August 2007 for a total amount of $95,700 ($87,000 base, plus $8,700 in extra services). The Haley Bridge Replacement Project (Project) is an approved Federal Highway Bridge Rehabilitation Replacement (HBRR) Program project.

Due to the complex nature of ROW negotiations and adherence to recently adopted federal, state and local ordinances, extra work was identified in June 2008. HJA was authorized to perform extra services in an amount not to exceed $8,700, thereby depleting the entire extra services authority that was granted by Council in August 2007.

Design of the Project is now at the 95% completion phase. All necessary ROW issues have now been identified, and the majority of ROW agreements have been acquired. In an effort to avoid condemnation proceedings, HJA assisted staff in lengthy property owner negotiations and document preparations. To date, HJA and staff have successfully obtained agreements for six of seven acquisitions for the Project. Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Caltans requirements, HJA also completed an overall Revised Project Relocation Plan per recently adopted City Ordinances, and individual relocation plans for tenants at 136 W. Haley and 434 De La Vina.

At staff's request, HJA performed a review of their remaining budget and workload. As a result, staff concurs that an additional expenditure of $10,000, as requested by HJA, will be sufficient to successfully conclude the ROW phase of this project on schedule.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

This Project is funded with a combination of a HBRR grant and City funds. The HBRR grant pays 88.53% of the ROW phase of the Project and the City pays the remaining 11.47%. The City's matching cost for this request would be $1,147. There are sufficient funds in the Streets Capital Program Fund to cover the City's share of these extra services.

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