

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

From: NORMA ORTEGA
Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-PROJECT BASELINE AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1213-43, AMENDING RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1011-09**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Project Baseline Agreement for Project 21, Washington Boulevard Widening and Reconstruction Project (PPNO TC21). The Southern California Consensus Group concurs with this amendment and the requested changes.

ISSUE:

The City of Commerce (City) proposes to amend the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for Project 21, Washington Boulevard Widening and Reconstruction (Project), to update the delivery schedule and funding plan.

BACKGROUND:

The Project was adopted into the TCIF Program by the Commission on April 10, 2008. A Project Baseline Agreement executed between the Department, the Commission, and the City was approved on September 24, 2008, under Resolution TCIF-P-0809-02B. A Baseline Agreement Amendment was approved on November 4, 2010, under Resolution TCIF-P-1011-09, to revise the project schedule and cost.

This project is located in city of Commerce and the Project scope includes reconstructing Washington Boulevard; widening the boulevard by one lane each way, reconstructing a railroad at-grade crossing at Commerce Way, and improving median radii, sidewalks, traffic signals, and lighting. The Project benefits will help alleviate traffic congestion, improve air quality, and improve existing pavement conditions.

The City is requesting schedule changes due to delays required to complete a full Environmental Impact Report prior to design. The delays were caused by the threat of litigation related to the environmental review process. The design phase was delayed an additional three months due to the need for a pre-award audit which required the Department's approval.

For reasons stated above, the beginning design and Right of Way (ROW) phases were delayed until June 2012, from October and November 2010, respectively. The construction start date was also delayed 18 months and is now scheduled for June 1, 2013. The following table provides a list of the Project milestones and the current approved and proposed delivery schedule:

Project Milestone	Current Approved	Proposed	Change
Begin Environmental Phase	02/01/2008	---	No Change
End Environmental Phase	06/01/2010	---	No Change
Begin Design Phase	10/01/2010	06/25/2012	1 Year + 9 Months
End Design Phase	10/01/2011	04/30/2013	1 Year + 7 Months
Begin Right of Way Phase	11/15/2010	06/25/2012	1 Year + 8 Months
End Right of Way Phase	10/01/2011	04/30/2012	7 Months
Begin Construction Phase	12/01/2011	06/01/2013	1 Year + 6 Months
End Construction Phase	12/01/2012	09/01/2014	1 Year + 9 Months
Begin Closeout	02/01/2013	10/01/2014	1 Year + 8 Months
End Closeout	05/01/2013	12/01/2014	1 Year + 7 Months

The funding plan is shown for purposes of detailing all Project funding types. The overall total Project cost has not changed from \$32,000,000, as shown in the following table.

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)										
FUND SOURCE	TOTAL	Totals by Fiscal Year					Totals by Project Phase			
		Prior	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W	CONST
State Bond - Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF)										
Current Approved	5,800				5,800					5,800
Demo - High Priority Projects Program (DEMO-ST)										
Current Approved	2,220		1,260	960			1,740	480		
FTA Funds - FTA 5307 (FHWA Transfer Funds) (5307_TR)										
Current Approved	90		90				90			
Local Funds - PROP "C" FUNDS (PC)										
Current Approved	13,362	77		5,916	6,094	1,275		77		13,285
Local Funds - Local Transportation Funds (LTF)										
Current Approved	10,528	39	2,009	4,512	3,281	687	39	137	3,198	7,154
TOTAL										
Current Approved	32,000	116	3,359	11,388	15,175	1,962	39	2,044	3,678	26,239

RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1213-43

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund Baseline Agreement for Project 21, Washington Boulevard Widening and Reconstruction Project (PPNO TC21), in accordance with the changes described and illustrated above.

Attachment



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January 16, 2013

Ms. Bimla G. Rhinehart
Executive Director
California Transportation Commission
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Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

Dear Ms. Rhinehart:

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and approved the changes requested by our partner agency. It is our understanding that the City of Commerce is requesting approval of an amendment of their Baseline Agreement for TCIF project #21 Washington Blvd Widening & Reconstruction Project. The amendment requested impacts the project schedule. The proposed modification does not modify the TCIF funds for the city.

Please see the attached letter from the City of Commerce detailing the requested changes. Please direct any questions or comments regarding this issue to me at (213) 922-3061. We appreciate the ongoing support and guidance provided by you and your staff.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Executive Officer

cc: Southern California Consensus Group
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