Memorandum **Tab 59 Revised**

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 11, 2013

Reference No.: 2.2c. (5)
Action

From: ANDRE BOUTROS
Executive Director

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE FRANKLIN BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (RESOLUTION E-13-50)**

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Franklin Boulevard Improvements (project) in Sacramento County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project for future consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND:

The County of Sacramento (County) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On February 14, 2006, the County adopted the final MND and found that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation. On March 26, 2013, Caltrans determined the project to be categorically excluded from NEPA pursuant to 23 CFR 771.117(c) (3).

The project is located on Franklin Boulevard between 47th Avenue and the Sacramento City-County line in the unincorporated area of Sacramento County. The proposed project will construct various streetscape improvements including: new curb, gutter, and five-foot sidewalks; pavement grinding and asphalt concrete pavement conforms; bike lanes and striping; new 12-foot wide landscaped center medians; drainage improvements; bus stop improvements; ADA improvements; and three pedestrian refuge islands.

Impacts that require mitigation measures to be reduced to a less than significant level relate to biological resources, cultural resources, and hazards and hazardous materials. The County determined that mitigation measures will reduce the potential impacts to less than significant levels. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to, installation of protective fencing around landmark trees in the project area; preparation of a Hazmat and Underground Storage Tank

contingency plan, pre-construction soil testing for aerially deposited lead, stockpiling of any contaminated soil discovered during construction; and measures to handle inadvertent discovery of subsurface cultural resources.

On April 18, 2013 the County provided written confirmation that the preferred alternative set forth in the final environmental document is consistent with the project programmed by the Commission. On May 23, 2013, the County confirmed that the 2006 MND remains valid and that there are no new impacts requiring mitigation which have been identified since adoption of the MND in 2006.

The project is estimated to cost $4,500,000. The project is funded with STIP TE ($2,515,000) and Local ($1,985,000) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2013/14.

Attachment
- Resolution E-13-50
- Project Location

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding
03 – Sacramento County
Resolution E-13-50

1.1 **WHEREAS,** the County of Sacramento (County) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:

- Franklin Boulevard Improvements Project

1.2 **WHEREAS,** the County has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and

1.3 **WHEREAS,** the proposed project will construct various streetscape improvements including: new curb, gutter, and five-foot sidewalks; pavement grinding and asphalt concrete pavement conforms; bike lanes and striping; new 12-foot wide landscaped center medians; drainage improvements; bus stop improvements; ADA improvements; and three pedestrian refuge islands; and

1.4 **WHEREAS,** the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration; and

1.5 **WHEREAS,** the County found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation; and

1.6 **WHEREAS,** the County approved the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration.

2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

Municipal Services
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Chief Deputy County Executive

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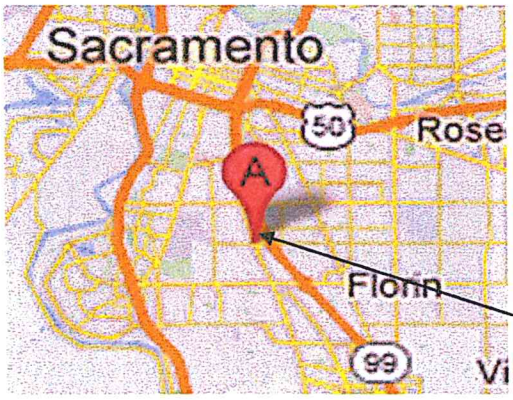
County of Sacramento

July 24, 2012

VICINITY MAP

FRANKLIN BLVD STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

47TH AVE TO 700' NORTH OF 41ST AVE



PROJECT LOCATION

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