

SBCAG STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Santa Claus Lane Bikeway Project

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2021

AGENDA ITEM 4B

STAFF CONTACT: Fred Luna

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Cooperative Agreement (05-0361) with Caltrans for the Plans, Specifications, Estimates (PS&E) and Right of Way (RW) phases of the Santa Claus Lane Class I Bikeway Project. The amendment increases Measure A funding by \$100,000 for a revised total Agreement amount of \$1,129,600, including SBCAG's contribution of \$719,600 in Measure A funds.
2. Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute amendments to the funding summary pursuant to Article 16 of the Agreement that will increase State funds, OR, shift funding contributions between project components so long as it does not result in an increase to the overall funding contribution by SBCAG, upon review and concurrence by legal counsel. The Board must approve contributions from additional funding sources, such as Measure A, if required.

DISCUSSION:

The Santa Claus Lane Bikeway Project will close a gap in the California Coastal Trail (CCT) connecting Santa Claus Lane (County of Santa Barbara) to Carpinteria Avenue (City of Carpinteria). The project has been identified in local and regional plans over the years and is broadly supported by local agencies and the California Coastal Commission. The project was also identified in Local Coastal Program amendments approved by both the City of Carpinteria and the County of Santa Barbara in relation to the adjacent Highway 101: Carpinteria to Santa Barbara improvements.

The project is primarily located in Caltrans right of way adjacent to Highway 101 but has connections to property owned by the City of Carpinteria and the County of Santa Barbara. Caltrans is the lead agency for environmental and will be identified as the applicant for any coastal permits. SBCAG is the implementing agency and has funded work to complete the milestone of Project Approval/Environmental Document (PA&ED) and is also working on the detailed design, permits, utilities and right of way.

SBCAG entered into a cooperative agreement (05-0361) for the Santa Claus Lane project for the Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) and Right of Way (RW) phases in March 2020. Under that agreement, Caltrans will provide oversight and has agreed to incorporate the project into the overall CMGC coordination with the Highway 101 project. SBCAG is responsible for reimbursing Caltrans for its share of the pre-construction work for the CMGC coordination and this is identified in the cooperative agreement and would come from Measure A funds primarily but supplemented by Senate Bill 1 (SB1) funds from the Local Partnership Program formula funds (LPP-F).



Staff is recommending approval of Amendment No. 1 to the cooperative agreement which increases Measure A funding by \$100,000 for a revised total Agreement amount of \$1,129,600, including SBCAG's contribution of \$719,600 in Measure A funds. The additional \$100,000 in funding is for Caltrans' role in processing the contract documents to prepare the Project to be administered for construction by Caltrans. This includes all the engineering, specification review, funding preparation, development of contracts with CMGC contractor, price evaluation among other tasks. Amendment No. 1 is included as Attachment A.

The above recommended actions are not a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality (CEQA) Act under CEQA Guidelines section 15378.

COMMITTEE REVIEW: None

ATTACHMENTS:

A: Cooperative Agreement 05-0361 Amendment No. 1 with Caltrans (web posting only)