



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Hans F. Larsen

**SUBJECT:** ROUTE 101/DE LA CRUZ BLVD/  
TRIMBLE RD INTERCHANGE

**DATE:** 10-12-10

Approved

Date

10/15/10

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS:** 3, 4

## RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Cooperative Agreement between the City of San José and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority for the Route 101/De La Cruz Boulevard/Trimble Road Interchange Reconstruction Project, extending the term of the agreement from December 31, 2010 to October 31, 2011, expanding the scope of services, and increasing the amount of the agreement by \$150,000 from \$700,000 to an amount not to exceed \$850,000.

## OUTCOME

The recommended action facilitates the completion of the initial project development phase of the Route 101/De La Cruz Boulevard/Trimble Road interchange improvement project consistent with the adopted goals of the Vision North San José development policies and regional transportation improvement priorities.

The project supports City policy goals related to economic development and safe and efficient transportation systems development.

## BACKGROUND

The City of San José, in partnership with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), are jointly working to complete the initial project development phase of the Route 101/De La Cruz Boulevard/Trimble Road interchange improvement project. Specifically, this phase of the project includes CEQA clearance and the Caltrans required "Project Study Report/Project Report."

The improvement of the Route 101/De La Cruz Boulevard/Trimble Road interchange is one of the City's priority transportation projects both in terms of upgrading the regional highway

system and in supporting economic development opportunities for the City of San José. The project is included in the long-range vision of transportation improvements in Santa Clara County (Valley Transportation Plan 2035), and is also listed as a Tier 1 regional improvement that supports the North San José development area. The estimated cost of the project planning, design and construction is \$34 million. Full funding for this project has yet to be identified, but City and VTA will pursue State and Federal funding opportunities as they become available.

The purpose of the project is to improve traffic flow on both Route 101 and along the Trimble Road/De La Cruz Boulevard corridor. The interchange project includes replacement and widening of the existing 4 lane bridge with a new 6 lane structure, including pedestrian and bicycle accommodation, and upgrading the interchange ramps for safer traffic operations and improved capacity.

On June 30, 2005, the City executed an agreement with VTA where City provided VTA funding in the amount of \$100,000 to develop a conceptual design for the interchange improvements. This agreement was subsequently amended by the parties on April 24, 2007. The amended and restated agreement increased the compensation by \$600,000 for a total agreement amount of \$700,000, authorized the extension of the term of the agreement to October 24, 2009, and expanded the scope of services to advance the conceptual design of the project and obtain required environmental clearance.

On October 20, 2009, the parties executed the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Cooperative Agreement and extended the term of the agreement to December 31, 2010 at no additional cost. Following the execution of this First Amendment, the City Council subsequently adopted Resolution 75133 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Second Amendment to increase the City's contribution by \$150,000 from \$700,000 to \$850,000, without any extension to term of the agreement.

However, due to delays associated with completing the negotiations with VTA, their consultant and Caltrans related to the revised scope of services to be covered under the Second Amendment, the time extension approved under the First Amendment is not sufficient to complete the desired scope of work.

Therefore, the recommendations associated with this Second Amendment include:

- Amending the term of the agreement from December 31, 2010 to October 31, 2011; and
- Revising the Scope of Services; and
- Increasing the compensation for the project by \$150,000 from \$700,000 to 850,000.

## **ANALYSIS**

Over the course of developing the project, the following design services and environmental studies were added to the project scope:

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- An enhanced approach toward improving the bicycle and pedestrian environment within the limits of the project. This required additional design surveys and geometric design revisions and reviews for new “bicycle and pedestrian friendly” criteria.
- Provide an updated Traffic Operations Report as required by Caltrans.
- Based on the archaeological survey report, the project limits may include a highly sensitive archaeological area that has prompted additional cultural studies and investigations.

For these reasons, additional time is required in order to complete the project and a revision of the scope of services for the conceptual design and environmental clearance are also required that will be included in the proposed Second Amendment. The other key elements contributing to the delay include the following:

- The project has experienced unanticipated delays associated with Caltrans’ review and approval process of the project’s traffic forecasting and operational studies.
- The reassessment to include the widening of the off ramp from southbound Route 101 to southbound Route 87 to provide a second exit lane.

As such, it is recommended that the term of this agreement be further extended through October 31, 2011.

### **EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

No additional follow-up actions with the City Council are expected at this time.

### **POLICY ALTERNATIVES**

Should the City Council elect to not support the recommendations of this memorandum, the project studies, reports and environmental clearances would be completed through a draft stage of development. This level of project documentation has limited benefits in the context of project readiness and competing for regional transportation funding.

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**



**Criterion 1:** Requires Council action on the use of public funds equal to \$1 million or greater. **(Required: Website Posting)**

- Criterion 2:** Adoption of a new or revised policy that may have implications for public health, safety, quality of life, or financial/economic vitality of the City. **(Required: E-mail and Website Posting)**
- Criterion 3:** Consideration of proposed changes to service delivery, programs, staffing that may have impacts to community services and have been identified by staff, Council or a Community group that requires special outreach. **(Required: E-mail, Website Posting, Community Meetings, Notice in appropriate newspapers)**

While this memorandum does not meet the \$1 million threshold under Criterion 1, this memorandum will be posted on the City's website for the Council Agenda.

### COORDINATION

This memorandum has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, the City Manager's Budget Office and the Planning Building and Code Enforcement Department.

### FISCAL/POLICY ALIGNMENT

The recommended action is consistent with the City's economic development strategy to promote the North San José development area.

### COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION/COST OF PROJECT: **\$150,000**
2. COST ELEMENTS OF AGREEMENT/CONTRACT:

	ORIGINAL	ADDITIONAL
Cooperative Agreement	\$100,000	\$0
Amended & Restated Cooperative Agmt	\$600,000	\$0
1 <sup>st</sup> Amendment to Restated Cooperative Agmt	\$0	\$0
2 <sup>nd</sup> Amendment to Restated Cooperative Agmt	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>
	\$700,000	\$150,000
3. SOURCE OF FUNDING: 429 – Building and Structure Construction Tax Fund
4. FISCAL IMPACT: No additional fiscal impact is anticipated due to the work incorporated by the First and Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Cooperative Agreement.

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**BUDGET REFERENCE**

Fund #	Appn #	Appn. Name	Total Appn	Amt. for Contract	2010-2011 Adopted Capital Budget Page	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord. No.)
429	7135	Route 101/Trimble Rd Interchange	\$150,000		V-856	06/29/2010, Ord. No. 28765
<b>Total Funding Recommended</b>			<b>\$150,000</b>			

**CEQA**

EIR Resolution No. 72768 adopted on June 21, 2005

/s/

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