

RESOLUTION NO. 86-2007

Adopted August 7, 2007

AUTHORIZING A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000 TO COMPLETE A PROJECT STUDY REPORT FOR THE REALIGNMENT OF THE FOLSOM STREET OFF-RAMP CONSISTENT WITH THE TRANSBAY STREETScape AND OPEN SPACE PLAN; TRANSBAY REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

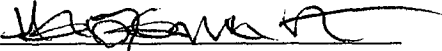
BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. The Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco's ("Agency") staff and the California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans") have had discussions about modifying the recently built Folsom Street Off-Ramp to Interstate 80 located in the Transbay Redevelopment Project Area.
2. Agency consultants have identified issues with the off-ramp and have proposed certain modifications that were outlined in two plan documents, the Transbay Design for Development and the Transbay Streetscape and Open Space Plan, which were approved by the Commission in 2006.
3. Caltrans, the agency that owns and manages the off-ramp, is amenable to modifying the off-ramp, but first requires an approved Project Study Report ("PSR").
4. The San Francisco County Transportation Authority ("SFCTA" or "Authority"), the customary lead on PSR developments, has the necessary experience to select and oversee a consultant to perform the PSR.
5. The Authority has submitted a proposal not to exceed \$350,000 to help deliver an approved PSR. The proposal has been reviewed by Agency staff and the Transbay Citizens Advisory Committee ("CAC"). The CAC voted to recommend approval at its July 2007 meeting.
6. The Agency now seeks to enter into a Letter Agreement with the Authority for managing the work necessary to get an approved PSR.
7. The Letter Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Section 15262 of the State CEQA Guidelines (Feasibility and Planning Studies), because the Contract is only for the provision of technical services.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the Executive Director is authorized to execute a Letter Agreement with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to complete a Project Study Report for the realignment of the Folsom Street Off-Ramp consistent with the Transbay Streetscape and Open Space Plan, substantially in the form lodged with the Agency General Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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