

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2011

Adopted April 5, 2011

AUTHORIZING A LETTER AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000, FOR PLANNING, PROJECT MANAGEMENT, PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND DESIGN, AND FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE BAYVIEW TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; BAYVIEW HUNTERS POINT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA

BASIS FOR RESOLUTION

1. In 2001 and 2002, the City and County of San Francisco ("City") was awarded a total of \$8,795,355 in federal funds under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century ("TEA-21"). The TEA-21 grant reimburses the City's costs to complete the planning and preliminary design, and the federal environmental review process for the Bayview Transportation Improvements ("BTI") Project, which includes roadway and transit improvements designed to develop a more direct route between U.S. 101, the South Basin industrial area of Bayview Hunters Point ("BVHP"), and the redeveloped Hunters Point Shipyard. Of the total TEA-21 grant amount, \$1,708,888 remains to complete the BTI planning and design, and federal environmental review process.
2. The terms of the TEA-21 grant require a minimum of a 20% local match, a portion of which would come from the City's capital improvements program and a portion of which would be contributed from tax increment generated in the BVHP Redevelopment Project Area, which the improvements will directly serve.
3. Planning for the BTI Project began in 2004 and City staff under the direction of the Department of Public Works ("DPW") studied a variety of alignments for the route that would serve the BVHP area. In 2007, the planning process for the Candlestick Point/Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 Development Plan Project ("CP/HPS") was initiated, building upon the community planning that was already underway through the BTI Project.
4. With the Commission's approval of CP/HPS on June 3, 2010, it is necessary to conclude the BTI federal environmental review process and initiate construction design work in order to receive additional federal funding for CP/HPS's core transportation improvements as contemplated in the CP/HPS financing plan.
5. In order to provide the local match required by the TEA-21 grant, up to \$1,100,000 in continued funding for the BTI Project was included in the Fiscal Year 09/10 budget that was approved by the Commission on July 6, 2010, by Resolution No. 92-2010. At this time, DPW staff is requesting \$350,000 to


provide the local match needed to fund the completion of the federal environmental review process, and to initiate construction design and project management for the proposed transportation improvements.

6. The residents, businesses, stakeholders, the Bayview Hunters Point Project Area Committee (“PAC”), the Agency, DPW, the Planning Department, and other City departments have been working closely together on the BTI Project since 2004, and DPW has held numerous community meetings on the transportation improvements project.
7. The BTI Project includes transportation improvements of the CP/HPS Transportation Plan, as attached to the Disposition and Development Agreement for Candlestick Point and Phase 2 of the Hunters Point Shipyard. The CP/HPS Transportation Plan was approved by the PAC in 2010. Subsequent to PAC approval, the Transportation Plan was approved by the Commission on June 3, 2010.
8. The BTI Project is consistent with the Five-Year Implementation Plan for the Bayview Hunters Point Redevelopment Project adopted pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33490.
9. The BTI Project was included in the CP/HPS Transportation Plan, which completed environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) in the CP/HPS Final Environmental Impact Report that was certified by the Commission on June 3, 2010. Pending is the completion of work under the proposed letter agreement (“Letter Agreement”) to complete National Environmental Policy Act environmental review. Agency approval of the Letter Agreement would have no resultant significant environmental impacts and is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15262, Feasibility and Planning Studies.

RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED by the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco that the Executive Director is authorized to enter into and execute a Letter Agreement with the City and County of San Francisco, acting by and through its Department of Public Works, in an amount not to exceed \$350,000, for planning, project management, preliminary engineering and design, and federal environmental review of the Bayview Transportation Improvements Project in the Bayview Hunters Point Redevelopment Project Area, substantially in the form lodged with the Agency General Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


James B. Morales 3/30/11
Agency General Counsel