

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: MS K. V. K. 10/22/09 DATE  
MARSHAL L. VICTOR  
Departmental Circumstance

**FROM:** Economic Development Agency and Transportation Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
October 22, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Reimbursement Agreement between the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside for the Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization Project.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Make the following findings in accordance with Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code:
  - a) The Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization Project is of benefit to the Desert Communities Project Area (Sub-Area Mecca) because it will both rehabilitate deteriorated infrastructure and add necessary improvements within the community; and

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Juan C. Perez  
Director of Transportation

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Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA/FM

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 2,735,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	09/10

<b>COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA:</b> Yes	
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> Redevelopment Agency – Desert Communities Project Area (100%)	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote <input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** APPROVE  
BY: Jennifer L. Sargent  
**County Executive Office Signature**

Dep't Recomm.:  Consent  Policy   
Per Exec. Ofc.:  Consent  Policy

**Prev. Agn. Ref.:** 11.4.08 #3.17 & 4.2, 1.8.08 #9.9, 4.16.06 #4.2, 12.21.04 #4.1  
**District:** 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Agenda Number:** 3.35

RECOMMENDED MOTION (continued):

- b) No other reasonable means of financing the project are available to the community as the County General Fund does not have the funds needed for the proposed improvements; and
  - c) The proposed improvements will eliminate physical blight and provide essential public facilities within the community; and
  - d) The proposed improvements are consistent with the Redevelopment Implementation Plan for the Desert Communities Project Area which identifies road infrastructure as a necessary improvement for the Mecca Community; and
2. Consent to the payment as identified in the Reimbursement Agreement by and between the Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside for the Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization Project; and
  3. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Reimbursement Agreement by and between the Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside.

BACKGROUND:

The community of Mecca and the County of Riverside have identified certain improvements that are needed in the Mecca Downtown Area, including sidewalk improvements that are a priority for this pedestrian intensive community.

The Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization project will include the construction of approximately seven miles of street, sidewalk, curb and gutter, and street light improvements for streets. The proposed improvements will increase pedestrian safety by providing sidewalks and upgraded street lighting, and will improve driving and drainage conditions through the reconstruction of street pavement and the installation of curb and gutter.

The streets and their limits include:

66<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Hammond Road to Frank J. Valdovino Road  
2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Hammond Road to Home Avenue  
3<sup>rd</sup> Street from Hammond Road to Frank J. Valdovino Road  
4<sup>th</sup> Street from Hammond Road to Frank J. Valdovino Road  
5<sup>th</sup> Street from Lincoln Street to Frank J. Valdovino Road  
6<sup>th</sup> Street from Lincoln Street to Dale Kiler Road  
7<sup>th</sup> Street from Date Palm Street to Dale Kiler Road  
Hammond Road from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to south of 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Lincoln Street from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Coahuilla Street from 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 65<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Date Palm Street from 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 65<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brown Street from 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Dale Kiler Road from 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Home Avenue from 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Frank J. Valdovino Road from south of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street

The project was found exempt from CEQA on November 4, 2008 BOD Item 4.2.

Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code provides that a Redevelopment Agency may assist in the design or development of improvements that are of benefit to the project area or in the immediate neighborhood in which the project is located. The attached reimbursement agreement between the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside will provide funds for the Transportation Department to perform certain project management and design services for the above listed streets.

It is intended that the project will be constructed in four phases. The first phase of construction will include the following two streets:

2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Hammond Road to Home Avenue  
Hammond Road from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

The attached reimbursement agreement between the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside will also provide funds for the Transportation Department to perform construction and construction management services for the first phase of construction of the Mecca Streets Revitalization Project. Today's Board agenda includes a separate request from the Transportation Department for the Board to award the construction contract for the first phase.

The funding for future phases of construction will be handled through separate reimbursement agreements between the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside. A project to construct a roundabout at the intersection of Hammond Road and 4<sup>th</sup> Street in the community of Mecca is a separate project funded through CMAQ and Redevelopment Agency funds, and is not part of this reimbursement agreement.

Agency staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors make the required findings and approve the reimbursement agreement between the Riverside County Redevelopment Agency and the County of Riverside for the Mecca Downtown Street Revitalization Project.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement as to form.

Attachment: Reimbursement Agreement

Project No. X1002