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



**FROM:** Economic Development Agency

August 19, 2010

Yes

SUBJECT: Indiana Avenue Sidewalk Project – Approval of Plans and Specifications

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

**Current F.Y. Total Cost:** 

- 1. Approve the Indiana Avenue Sidewalk Project; and
- 2. Approve the plans and specifications for the Indiana Avenue Sidewalk Project and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Notice Inviting Bids for the project.

BACKGROUND: One June 2, 2009, the Board approved the Substantial Amendment to the 2008-2009 One-Year Action Plan, thereby accepting the Community Development Block Grant-Recover (CDBG-R) funds under Title XII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The Indiana Avenue (Home Gardens) Sidewalk Project was included on the list of CDBG-R projects.

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In Current Year Budget:

DATA	Current F.Y. Net County Cost: Annual Net County Cost:	\$ O \$ O	Budget Adjustme For Fiscal Year:	1,10	No 2010/1	
OMPANION IT	EM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS		lo	2010/	<u>.</u>	
<b>COURCE OF FUNDS:</b> Community Development Block Grant-Recovery (CDBG-R) Funds			Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30			
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C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

County Executive Office Signature

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## **BACKGROUND:** (Continued)

On July 21, 2009, the Board approved the Consulting Services Agreement between the County of Riverside and Albert A. Webb Associates, for the design of the Indiana Avenue Sidewalk Project.

The project is located on the north side of Indiana Avenue from Grant Street to South Neece Street; the east side of Brotherton Street from Indiana Avenue north to the existing sidewalk in front of Home Gardens Elementary school; and the east side of South Neece Street from Indiana Avenue north to the existing sidewalk in front of 3725 South Neece Street, in the unincorporated community of Home Gardens, County of Riverside, State of California.

The current project is characterized by unpaved, compacted, heavily traveled dirt shoulders, asphalt berms, and paved roadways in an area adjacent to homes and used as a walkway to and from the Home Gardens Elementary School, Home Gardens Library, and Home Gardens Fire Station. Improvements will include construction of ADA-compliant sidewalks and curb returns, curb and gutter, minor pavement rehabilitation, and reconstructed driveway approaches throughout the project limits. These improvements will improve public safety, pedestrian access, and drainage within the unincorporated community of Home Gardens, and assist in the elimination of physical blighting conditions.

The improvements to the property are exempt from the provisions of CEQA. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061, General Rule, Section 15301 and Class 1 – Existing Facilities, a Notice of Exemption was filed with the County Clerk on Tuesday, July 22, 2010, for the 30-day public review period. The project has therefore complied with the provisions of CEQA and no additional environmental analysis is required.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the proposed actions are categorically excluded pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58.34(a)(10) because the project involves the enhancement and repair of previously graded, compacted, and heavily disturbed shoulders of Indiana Avenue, Brotherton Street, and South Neece Street.

The plans and specifications are complete and approved. Staff recommends that the Board approve the plans and specifications, and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Notice Inviting Bids.