

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

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FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:
April 21, 2011

SUBJECT: El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvement Project – Findings and Consent to Payments

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Make the following findings pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33445:
 - a. The El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvements Project is of primary benefit to the El Cerrito Sub-Area of Redevelopment Project Area 1-1986 by helping to eliminate blight within the project area by improving sidewalks, streets, curb, gutter, and the construction of a new storm drain;
 - b. No other reasonable means of financing the cost of the project are available to the community due to the fact that the current economic crisis has substantially reduced the community's revenues to fund the project;

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Robert Field
Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 8,600,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2010/11

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA: Yes

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Redevelopment Project Area 1-1986, El Cerrito Sub-Area	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE
BY:

County Executive Office Signature Jennifer L. Sargent

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED
 PAUL ANGULO, CPA, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
 BY: SAMUEL WONG
 DATE: 3-21-11
 Departmental Counsel
 ANITA C. WILLIS
 FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
 BY: ANITA C. WILLIS

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

(Rev 08/2010)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: (Continued)

- c. The payment of funds for the cost of the project is consistent with the Implementation plan for the project area and is necessary to effectuate the purpose of the project area's Redevelopment Plan, which identifies road infrastructure as necessary improvements for the community; and
2. Consent to the expenditure of redevelopment funds for the project.

BACKGROUND:

On March 26, 2002, the Board of Directors entered into an agreement with Krieger and Stewart for the engineering and design of the El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvement Project. The project consists of storm drain improvements to provide ultimate flow capacity, median, street improvements including curb, gutter, sidewalks, and installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of El Cerrito Road and Evelyn Street along the segment of El Cerrito Road between Interstate 15 and Temescal Canyon Road in the unincorporated community of El Cerrito. The design plans and specifications for the project have been completed.

These improvements will benefit the El Cerrito Sub-Area of Redevelopment Project Area 1-1986 by helping to eliminate blight within the project area by installing sidewalks, streets, curb, gutter, and the construction of a new storm drain, and significantly improving the pedestrian access in the area. The Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (RCFC & WCD) has agreed to provide funding for the drainage improvement segment of the project not-to-exceed the amount of \$2,900,000 (construction costs, inspection, and plan checking fees). An agreement between the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside and RCFC & WCD is being processed and will be submitted for approval by RCFC & WCD and Redevelopment Agency (RDA) when finalized.

RDA prepared an initial study to analyze the proposed project to determine if any potential significant impacts upon the environment would result from construction and implementation of the project. The analysis contained in the initial study demonstrates that the project would not have any significant impacts on the environment with the implementation of the mitigation measures contained in the initial study and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for Environmental Assessment No. RDA/CEQA 2008-3 adopted by the Board of Directors of the Redevelopment Agency for the County of Riverside on September 29, 2009.

Staff recommends that the Board make the aforementioned findings, and consent to the expenditure of redevelopment funds for the project.