

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



FROM: Economic Development Agency

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SUBMITTAL DATE:
June 16, 2011

SUBJECT: El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvements Project – Project Award & Consent to Payment

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Make the following findings pursuant to Section 33445 of the Health and Safety Code:
 - a. The construction of the proposed El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvements Project will benefit the El Cerrito Sub Area of the 1-1986 Redevelopment Project Area by helping to eliminate blight within the project area by improving sidewalks, streets, curbs, gutter, and the construction of new storm drain facilities;
 - b. No other reasonable means of financing 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

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| FINANCIAL DATA | Current F.Y. Total Cost: | \$5,341,755 | 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

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| SOURCE OF FUNDS: 1-1986 Redevelopment Project Area Capital Improvement Project Funds – El Cerrito Sub-Area and Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Zone 2 (\$2.9 Million) | Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Requires 4/5 Vote | <input type="checkbox"/> |

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

REVIEWED BY CIP: Christopher Hans
 FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL: ANITA C. WILLIS
 DATE: 6/16/11
 BY: [Signature]
 Dept's Recomm.: Consent
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent
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Prev. Agn. Ref.: 4.1 of 5/03/11, 4.2 of 9/29/09

District: 2

Agenda Number:

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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.

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 (RDA) for the County of Riverside and RCFC&WCD is being processed and will be submitted for approval by RCFC&WCD and Redevelopment Agency when finalized.

On May 3, 2011 the Board approved the plans and specifications for El Cerrito Road and Storm Drain Improvements Project and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Notice Inviting Bids. The project was advertised in the Press Enterprise on May 26, 2011, and June 10, 2011 and was advertised on the Riverside County Economic Development Agency website. On June 13, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. eight sealed bids were received and opened by the Clerk of the Board.

RDA staff 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.

Upon review, County Counsel and RDA staff determined that the low bid submitted by Riverside Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$3,631,140.70, is responsive, and complete.

RDA staff recommends that the Board make the recommended findings and consent to the expenditure of Redevelopment funds for the project.