

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



ITEM: 3.41
(ID # 23832)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, February 27, 2024

FROM : TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION:
Approval of Amendment Number Three to the Reimbursement Agreement between the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), the County of Riverside and the City of Coachella for the Avenue 48 Widening Project between Van Buren Street and Dillon Road. District 4. [\$0 - Total Amendment Cost]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve Amendment Number Three to the Reimbursement Agreement between Coachella Valley Association of Governments, the County of Riverside, and the City of Coachella for the Avenue 48 Widening Project between Van Buren Street and Dillon Road to extend the time trigger to commence the construction phase and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute the same.

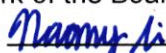
ACTION:Policy

Patricia Romo, Director of Transportation 2/8/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 27, 2024
xc: Trans.

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: There are no General Funds used in this project.			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 23/24-24/25	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Avenue 48 is an east-west, major arterial within the City of Coachella (City) and the County of Riverside (County). Avenue 48 between Van Buren Street and Dillon Road currently consist of two vehicular lanes (one lane in each direction) and a striped two-way left-turn median. The northerly half of Avenue 48 is within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County and the southerly half is within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City.

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), the City of Coachella, and the County desire to widen Avenue 48 between Van Buren Street and Dillon Road (Project) to alleviate congestion and help improve traffic circulation. The proposed improvements will add one westbound lane and one eastbound lane with a raised concrete median. In addition, curb, gutter, and sidewalk will be constructed in the westbound direction and a five-foot wide bike lane will be provided in the eastbound direction.

Additional improvements include construction of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps, cross gutter and spandrels, residential driveways, construction of pavement safety edge to protect the outside edge of pavement, reconstruction of private property improvements (fences, planters, concrete curbs, asphalt and concrete driveway connections, etc.), installation of traffic striping, thermoplastic crosswalks and pavement markings, installation of traffic signs, and other associated work. The work also includes modifications to the existing traffic signals at Van Buren Street and Dillon Road for the existing video detection system due to the additional traffic lanes and bike lane.

On June 20, 2017 (Agenda Item 3.41) the Board of Supervisors approved the Agency Reimbursement Agreement by and between CVAG and the County of Riverside to perform and complete the Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Documentation, also known as the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA/ED) phase for the Project. Furthermore, the Agreement designated the County as Lead Agency for the Project.

On March 10, 2020 (Item 3.45), the Board of Supervisors adopted the Final Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration and Monitoring Programs for the Avenue 48 Widening Project based on the conclusion that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

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On April 27, 2021 (Agenda Item 3.32) the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment Number One to the Agency Reimbursement Agreement in which CVAG funded 75% of the cost of the services required to complete the Final Design Engineering and Right-of-Way phases of the project. The remaining 25% was shared equally by the City and the County. Furthermore, Amendment Number One added the City as a party to the Agreement.

On June 13, 2023 (Agenda Item 3.30) the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment Number Two to the Agency Reimbursement Agreement in which CVAG funded 75% of the cost of the construction phase of the Project and extended the time trigger to commence the construction phase to August 31, 2023.

On January 9, 2024 (Agenda Item 3.62) the Board of Supervisors authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise for the construction of the Project. Construction bids were opened on January 31, 2024 and the anticipated award of the construction contract is the March 19, 2024 Board of Supervisor's meeting. Construction is anticipated to begin in May or June this year and will take approximately four months to complete.

Under this Amendment Number Three, the Agreement authorizes the extension of the time trigger to commence the construction phase to August 31, 2024.

Avenue 48 Widening Project Number: C7-0040

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The proposed improvements will provide safety, alleviate congestion, and operational efficiency for pedestrians and local traffic on Avenue 48. Widening the roadway will improve pedestrian and vehicular traffic circulation and access for motorists, residents, businesses, emergency service providers, nearby institutions such as schools, and public transportation. The project is consistent with the County's, City of Coachella's, and City of Indio's General Plans to meet current and future traffic demands.

SUPPLEMENTAL:

Additional Fiscal Information

There are no General Funds used for this project.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Vicinity Map

Amendment Number Three


Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst

2/22/2024


Aaron Gettis, Deputy County Counsel

2/15/2024

**AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE
TO THE
REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CVAG, THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AND CITY OF COACHELLA
FOR THE
AVENUE 48 WIDENING PROJECT BETWEEN VAN BUREN STREET AND DILLON ROAD**

This **AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE** is made and entered into this 25th day of September 2023, by and between the **Coachella Valley Association of Governments**, a California joint powers agency (CVAG), the **City of Coachella (City)** and the **County of Riverside (County)**, and is made with reference to the following background facts and circumstances. All other terms and conditions shall remain the same as stated in the original Agreement dated December 5, 2016 for the Avenue 48 Widening Project between Van Buren and Dillon Road.

1. This Amendment Number Three extends the time trigger to commence construction to August 31, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment Number Three to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on this date:

ATTEST


Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Deputy


COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE


Chair of the Board of Supervisors
CHUCK WASHINGTON

ATTEST


Gabriel Martin, City Manager


CITY OF COACHELLA


Steven Hernandez, Mayor

ATTEST

Tom Kirk, CVAG Executive Director

**COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION
OF GOVERNMENTS**


Scott Matas, CVAG Chair

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
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Mark Lancaster
Director of Transportation

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
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Transportation Department

May 22, 2023

Tom Kirk
Executive Director
Coachella Valley Association of Governments
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Palm Desert, CA 92260

RE: Request for Time Extension to Begin Construction for the Avenue 48 Widening Project

Dear Mr. Kirk,

The County of Riverside (County) and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) have entered into a reimbursement agreement for Avenue 48 between Van Buren Street and Dillon Road Widening Project (Project) which will add one westbound lane and two eastbound lanes with a raised median between Van Buren Avenue to Dillon Road. Additionally, bike lanes and sidewalks will be constructed on each side of Avenue 48. The initial Reimbursement Agreement was executed on June 20, 2017 for the PA/ED phase of the project in the amount of \$600,000; \$450,000 regional share and \$150,000 local share. On April 27, 2021 Amendment Number One to the Reimbursement Agreement between the County, CVAG and the City of Coachella (City) further divided the local share of the PA/ED so that the \$150,000 would be split evenly between County and City. Amendment Number One also provided funding for Final Design Phase in the amount of \$350,000 and Right of Way Phase in the amount of \$300,000. The additional \$650,000 was split into \$487,500 as the regional share, and both the City and County contributing \$81,250 for the local share. Amendment Number One also established a construction commencement date of August 31, 2022. On September 26, 2022 Amendment Number Two provided funding for Construction, Construction Management/Inspection, and Construction Surveying which will be split into \$2,587,500 as the regional share along with the City and County each contributing \$431,250 for the local share. In addition, the construction commencement date was extended to August 31, 2023.

The County has tried to commit to maintaining the project schedule, but due to ongoing negotiations with property owners for TCEs and PECs along the north side of Avenue 48 and the need to coordinate the design with the recently awarded grant funding for the CVAG Arts and Music Line ATP Project (ATP Project), it is no longer possible to commence construction by August 31, 2023. The County is in the process of completing the Final Design changes along the south side of Avenue 48 to coordinate with the ATP Project and in final negotiations with the last few property owners on the north side. In addition, Imperial Irrigation District (IID) has been put on notice to begin their relocation process for the existing power poles in conflict along the south side within the Project limits. The power pole relocations will be coordinated to stay clear

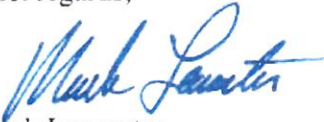
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of the ATP Project as well.

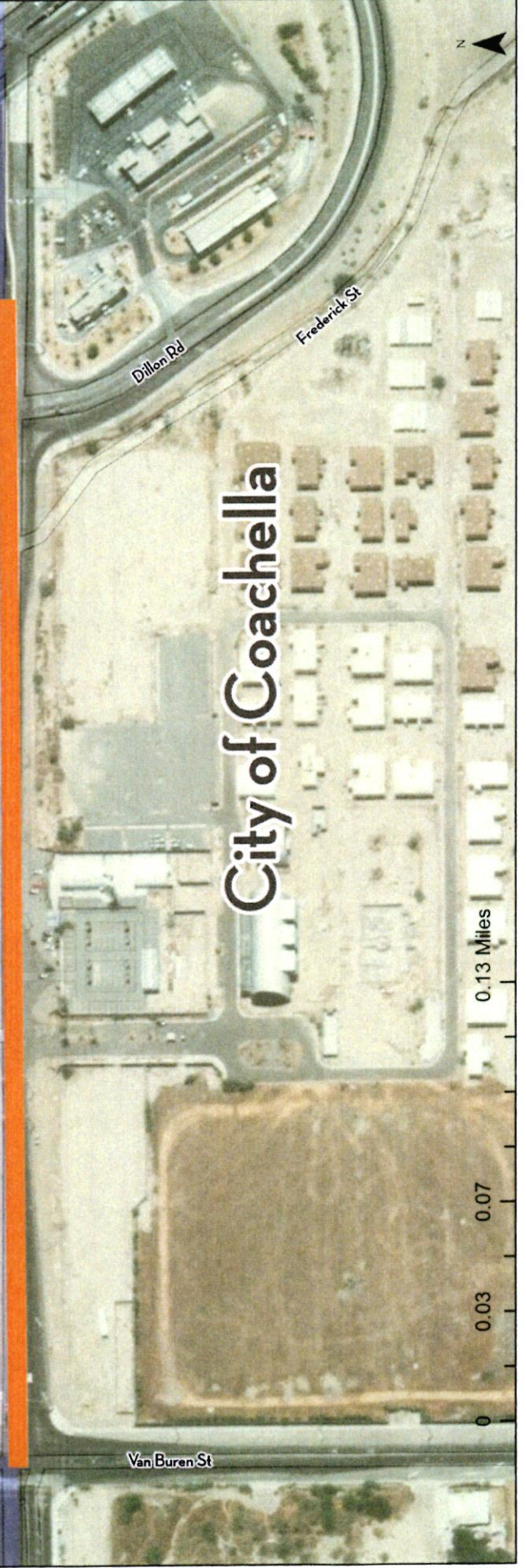
With the final design and right of way activities in the final stages, the County is preparing for the construction phase of the project and respectfully requests a 1-year time extension to commence construction by August 31, 2024.

Thank you for your consideration to approve this time extension. Please feel free to contact me at mlancaster@rivco.org or at 951-955-6740 if you have further questions.

Best regards,



Mark Lancaster
Director of Transportation



INTERSECTION OF 48TH AVE AND VAN BUREN ST

0 250 500 1,000 Feet
1 inch = 500 feet
Orthophotos from 211 (WR, CVI or 407 (REMAP, B/ps))
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