

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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September 5, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement with the City of Bellflower, CA, for the installation and maintenance of a traffic signal at the intersection of Downey Avenue and 64th Street; and,

Increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund (CP) in the Public Works Department (PW) by \$65,000, offset by revenue received from the City of Bellflower. (District 9)

DISCUSSION

On December 2, 2014, the City Council authorized the City Manager to negotiate an agreement with the City of Bellflower (Bellflower) to undertake a traffic study at the intersection of Downey Avenue and 64th Street for the purpose of determining if installation of a traffic control device at this intersection is warranted.

The traffic study was prepared by Iteris Traffic Engineering Consultants and accepted in mid-2015 by Bellflower and the City of Long Beach. Since then, both cities have moved forward to develop a traffic signal design mutually beneficial to both agencies and residents in the immediate intersection vicinity. Geographically, the intersection is located 75 percent within Bellflower and 25 percent within Long Beach (Exhibit A).

At Bellflower's June 26, 2017 City Council meeting, the City voted and approved the foregoing terms.

Long Beach will be responsible for all soft costs related to design, inspection, administration, and construction. After receiving City Council approval, the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Downey Avenue and 64th Street will become part of a larger traffic signal project that will be advertised in the fall of 2017. Construction is estimated to be complete in 2018.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on August 3, 2017 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on August 17, 2017.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 5, 2017, to expedite the installation of the new traffic signal.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total estimated cost of the project is \$300,000. Of this amount, \$235,000 is currently budgeted in the Public Works Department (PW), including \$175,000 in Ninth Council District FY 14 and FY 15 one-time funds in the Capital Projects Fund (CP), and \$60,000 in gas tax revenues in the Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund (SR 181). The remaining \$65,000 will be provided by the Bellflower. As these funds are not yet budgeted, an appropriation increase in the amount of \$65,000 is included in the recommended action.

The Public Works Department will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the new traffic signal, which is estimated at \$5,265 and will include staff time, equipment and electricity to keep the traffic signal operating. Per the agreement, Bellflower will be responsible for 75 percent of the operating and maintenance costs totaling \$3,949, and Long Beach will be responsible for the remaining 25 percent totaling \$1,316. Funding for Long Beach's portion has not yet been identified and will be requested as part of the FY 19 budget process. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG A. BECK DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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ATTACHMENTS:

EXHIBIT A -VICINITY MAP

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER



Exhibit A