



Building A Better Long Beach

June 6, 2011

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and authorize the Executive Director to administer and execute all necessary documents to accept and expend the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority grant funds for the South Waterfront Bike Path Gap Closure. (North – District 2)

DISCUSSION

Every other year, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) allocates discretionary federal, state and local transportation funds to improve all modes of surface transportation through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects. The Call for Projects program is a competitive process that distributes discretionary capital transportation funds to regionally significant projects. In response to the LACMTA's 2009 Call for Projects, Redevelopment Agency (Agency) staff prepared and submitted an application for the Long Beach South Waterfront Bike Path Gap Closure (Project). Grant funding was requested to construct a new Class I bike path segment that closes a gap between the existing Class I path across Queensway Bridge and the Class I bike and pedestrian path along the south waterfront (Exhibit A). The Project will provide connectivity and close a gap between several employment and destination centers in the south waterfront area and the existing regional bike paths.

The Agency's application for the Project was approved for funding by the LACMTA. The grant amount is for a total of \$708,140, with a 20 percent local match requirement of \$177,035, for a total estimated project cost of \$885,175. On April 14, 2009, the City Council approved the submittal of the Project for grant funding and authorized the City Manager to administer and execute all necessary documents to accept and expend LACMTA grant funds for the Project. In order to receive the grant funds, the Agency must approve funding for the required local match. The Agency's matching funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2011-2012 in the North Project Area budget. The Agency Board and City Council made the necessary findings of benefit, as required by California Redevelopment Law, on November 2, 2009, and November 10, 2009, respectively.

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On March 24, 2011, the North Long Beach Project Area Committee made a recommendation to approve the Project. It is recommended that the Agency Board approve and authorize the Executive Director to administer and execute all necessary documents to accept and expend the LACMTA grant funds for the South Waterfront Bike Path Gap Closure.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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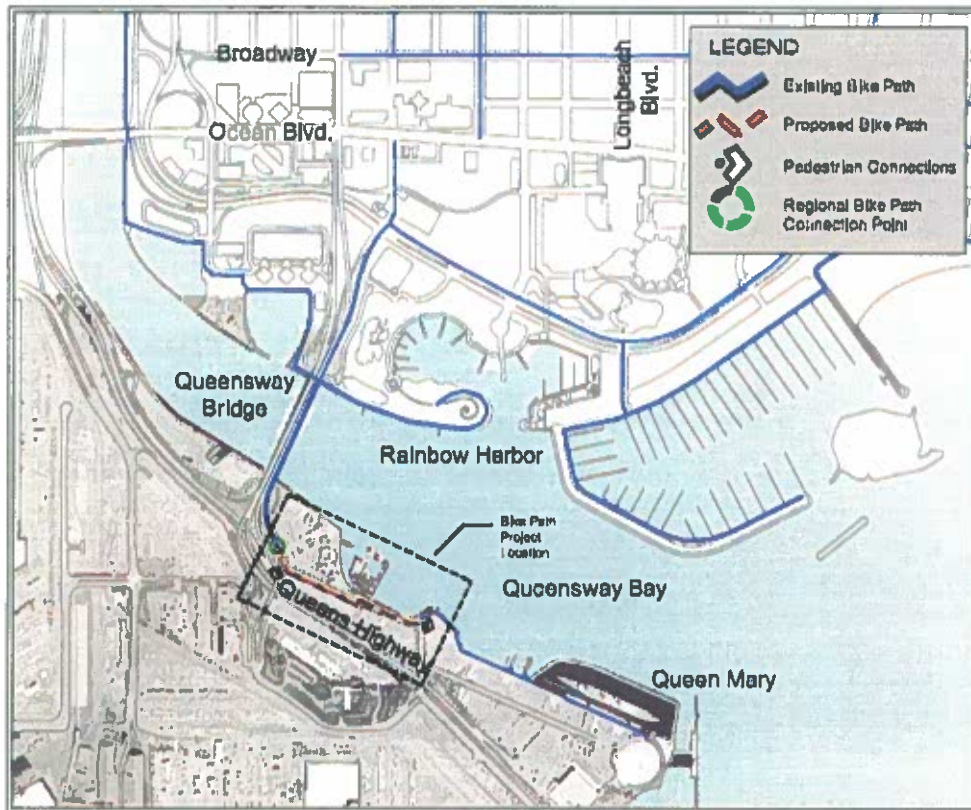
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Attachment: Exhibit A – Site Map

Exhibit A - Site Map

Location Overview



Location Detail

