

## Building A Better Long Beach

May 3, 2010

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS
City of Long Beach
California

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Sully-Miller Contracting Company in an amount not to exceed \$5,161,423.68 for streetscape improvements on Long Beach Boulevard from Del Amo Boulevard to 56th Street. (North – District 8)

## **DISCUSSION**

For over a decade, the North Long Beach community, Redevelopment Agency (Agency) staff, and the Department of Public Works have worked together to identify opportunities for streetscape improvements along major corridors to enhance the unique identity, attractiveness and livability of North Long Beach. These opportunities were identified in the North Long Beach Strategic Guide for Redevelopment and the North Long Beach Street Enhancement Master Plan (Master Plan) adopted by the Agency on August 12, 2002.

The proposed project on Long Beach Boulevard from Del Amo Boulevard to 56th Street is a primary recommendation of the Master Plan which restores the unique pedestrian-oriented experience in the historic core of North Long Beach known today as Virginia Village (Exhibit A). The Agency and City Council made the necessary findings of benefit for the Long Beach Boulevard streetscape improvement project as required by California Redevelopment Law on September 12, 2005, and November 1, 2005, respectively.

The Plans and Specifications prepared by the Department of Public Works were advertised for bid on February 26, 2010, and bids were opened on April 5, 2010. Of the eight firms submitting bids, Sully-Miller Contracting Company, a California Corporation, was identified as the lowest responsible bidder.

The work to be done consists of street surface reconstruction, decorative crosswalk pavers, new concrete sidewalks, street trees, installation of new decorative pedestrian and street light poles, new bus shelters, new raised, landscaped medians, and a one-way traffic couplet (Exhibit B). Construction of this proposed streetscape improvement project is scheduled to begin in late July 2010.

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The proposed contract amount of \$5,161,423.68 includes a 25-percent contingency clause to cover any additional work that may become necessary during the course of construction. In the event that additional work is necessary, the contract will provide the Executive Director the ability to approve change orders for additional work not to exceed the 25-percent contingency. Although not anticipated, any contract change orders that would exceed the 25-percent contingency will be brought before the Agency Board for further consideration.

### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

AMY J. BODEK

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

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Attachments: Exhibit A – Site Map

Exhibit B – Before & After Photo Simulation

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# Exhibit A – Site Map <u>Long Beach Boulevard Streetscape Improvements</u> <u>Del Amo Boulevard to 56th Street</u>



Streetscape Improvements

One-Way Traffic Couplet

