

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 7, 2013

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECTS, PER RESOLUTION G-06-08 WAIVER 13-13**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the request by the City of Rolling Hills Estates (City) to extend the period of contract award for the Palos Verdes Drive North Bike Lanes State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Transportation Enhancement (TE) project (PPNO 07-4087) for three months from March 31, 2013 to June 30, 2013, per STIP Guidelines.

ISSUE:

On September 27, 2012, the Commission approved Resolution FP-12-19, allocating \$1,803,000 for construction of the Palos Verdes Drive North Bike Lanes STIP TE project. The City is unable to award the contract prior to the award deadline of March 31, 2013, due to unforeseen delays in finalizing the Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E). The City requests a three-month time extension from March 31, 2013 to June 30, 2013.

BACKGROUND:

The City met with citizens of the community after the Commission's meeting. Several issues were raised with regard to tree removal and the environmental impact of the project. The hearings were held to resolve the issues and the PS&E package was revised accordingly. The PS&E revisions delayed the approval of the Authorization to Proceed with Construction. The City opened bids on March 28, 2013 and anticipates awarding in mid-April. The City is requesting an additional two months to allow for any unforeseen issues that may delay awarding the project. Therefore, the City is requesting a three-month time extension request to June 30, 2013.

In June 2006, the Commission adopted Resolution G-06-08, which requires the agency implementing a project to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. STIP Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the contract award deadline one time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.