

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 15-16, 2019
Reference No.: 2.8b.(2)
Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR A LOCALLY ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECT, PER STIP GUIDELINES WAIVER 19-21**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of project completion for the City of Eureka - Waterfront Drive Connection Phase II Project (PPNO 0302D), in Humboldt County, totaling \$2,337,000, programmed in the State Transportation Improvements Program (STIP), for the time period identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the Commission extend the period of project completion for the City of Eureka - Waterfront Drive Connection Phase II Project (PPNO 0302D), totaling \$2,337,000, in Humboldt County, programmed in the STIP, for the time period identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission allocated \$2,337,000, for the construction of one locally-administered STIP project identified on the attachment. The responsible agency has been unable to award the contract within six months of allocation. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanation for the delays. The respective agencies request an extension, and the planning agency concurs.

Current STIP Guidelines stipulate that the agency implementing a project request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. The Commission may approve waivers to the timely use of funds deadline, one time only, for up to 20 months in accordance with Section 14529.8 of the Government Code.

Attachment

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**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Completion Deadline
Local Streets and Road Projects**

Project Number: 1
Applicant: City of Eureka
County: Humboldt
District: 1
PPNO: 0302D
Extended Amount: \$2,337,000
Phase: Construction
Award Date: 10/18/2018
Allocation Resolution Number: FP-18-27
Number of Months Requested: 6 Months
Extended Deadline: 10/31/2019
Department Recommendation: Support

Waterfront Drive Connection Phase II project

The City of Eureka (City) is requesting a six-month time extension to complete construction (CON) of Waterfront Drive Connection Phase II Project. The City has experienced unexpected delays in awarding the project.

The City received the CON allocation in October 2018 and advertised the project in January 2019. After bid opening, the City determined they did not have a DBE goal and that their Good Faith Effort to be inadequate. The City then issued a notice of intent to award to the second lowest bidder. However, after receiving five bidding protests the City rejected all bids and opted to rebid the project. The City re-advertised the project and opened bids on April 9, 2019. Once again, the lowest bidder did not fulfill the DBE requirement. The City has requested the DBE documentation from the lowest bidder and anticipates approving the contract at the next City Council meeting scheduled for May 7, 2019. The City anticipates awarding the contract in May, however, due to the current bidding environment, the City is requesting a six-month extension to allow for any unforeseen issues that may arise.

Therefore, the City requests a six-month time extension to award the project by October 31, 2019.