To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

From: STEVEN D. KECK
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Subject: REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR A LOCALLY
ADMINISTERED STIP PROJECT, PER STIP GUIDELINES
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ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of
contract award 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 contract award 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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to enhance California's economy and livability"
Project Number: 1
Applicant: City of Eureka
County: Humboldt
District: 1
PPNO: 0302D
Extended Amount: $2,337,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation 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 award a contract (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.