

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: March 25, 2020

From: MITCH WEISS, Executive Director

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**Subject: Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding – Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Imjin Parkway Improvement Project (Resolution E-20-23)**

**Issue:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Imjin Parkway Improvement Project (Project) in Monterey County and approve the Project for future consideration of funding?

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the Commission accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the Project for future consideration of funding.

**Background:**

The City of Marina (City) is the California Environmental Quality Act lead agency for the Project. The Project will construct parkway improvements, including traffic operations, pedestrian and bicycle access, and safety enhancements. The Project is located between Reservation Road and Imjin Road in the City of Marina, Monterey County.

On February 5, 2019, the Marina City Council adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project and found that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation.

Impacts that require mitigation measures to be reduced to less than significant levels relate to aesthetics, air quality, biological and cultural resources, geology, and hazardous materials. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to, conduct a Tree and Vegetation Replacement Plan to secure a visually unified corridor appearance, adhere to the Monterey Bay Air Resources District Rule 403

specifications governing dust prevention measures, develop protection strategies for the Monterey Spine-flower, prepare a Paleontological Evaluation Report and Mitigation Plan prior to construction activities, require grading activities to comply with Caltrans Standard Specifications, and prepare a Transportation Management Plan.

On December 16, 2019, the City confirmed that the preferred alternative set forth in the final environmental document is consistent with the Project scope of work programmed by the Commission.

The Project is estimated to cost \$42,300,000 and is fully funded through construction with State Transportation Improvement Program Funds (\$3,300,000), Local Partnership Program Funds (\$19,000,000), Measure X Funds (\$17,000,000), and Local Developer Fees (\$3,000,000).

Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Resolution E-20-23
- Attachment B: Notice of Determination
- Attachment C: Project Location Map

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding**

**5 – Monterey County  
Resolution E-20-23**

- 1.1 WHEREAS, the City of Marina (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the Imjin Parkway Improvement Project (Project) in Monterey County; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, the City has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, the Project is located between Reservation Road and Imjin Road in the City of Marina, Monterey County; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, the Project will construct parkway improvements, including traffic operations, pedestrian and bicycle access, and safety enhancements; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, on February 5, 2019, the Marina City Council found that the proposed Project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS, on February 5, 2019, the Marina City Council adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.7 WHEREAS, on December 16, 2019, the City confirmed that the preferred alternative set forth in the final environmental document is consistent with the Project scope of work programmed by the California Transportation Commission (Commission); and
- 1.8 WHEREAS, the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 2.1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approves the above-referenced Project for future consideration of funding.

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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From: California Transportation Commission  
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**Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code.**

**Project Title:** Imjin Parkway Improvement Project

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**Project Location** (include county): The project is located between Reservation Road and Imjin Road in the City of Marina, Monterey County.

**Project Description:** The project will construct parkway improvements, including traffic operations, pedestrian and bicycle access, and safety enhancements.

This is to advise that the California Transportation Commission has approved the above described project on

( Lead Agency/  Responsible Agency)

March 25-26, 2020, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project ( will/  will not) have a significant effect on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures ( were/  were not) made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. Mitigation reporting or monitoring plan ( was /  was not) adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations ( was /  was not) adopted for this project.
6. Findings ( were/  were not) made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The above identified document with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at: 211 Hillcrest Avenue, Marina, CA 93933

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*Signature (Public Agency)*

*Date*

Executive Director

California Transportation Commission

*Title*

Date received for filing at OPR:



Source: Google Earth, 2018

**FIGURE 2:** Vicinity Map  
Imjin Parkway Improvement Project