



Authorization to Submit Grant Application
for
Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage
Development (BUILD).

City Council Meeting
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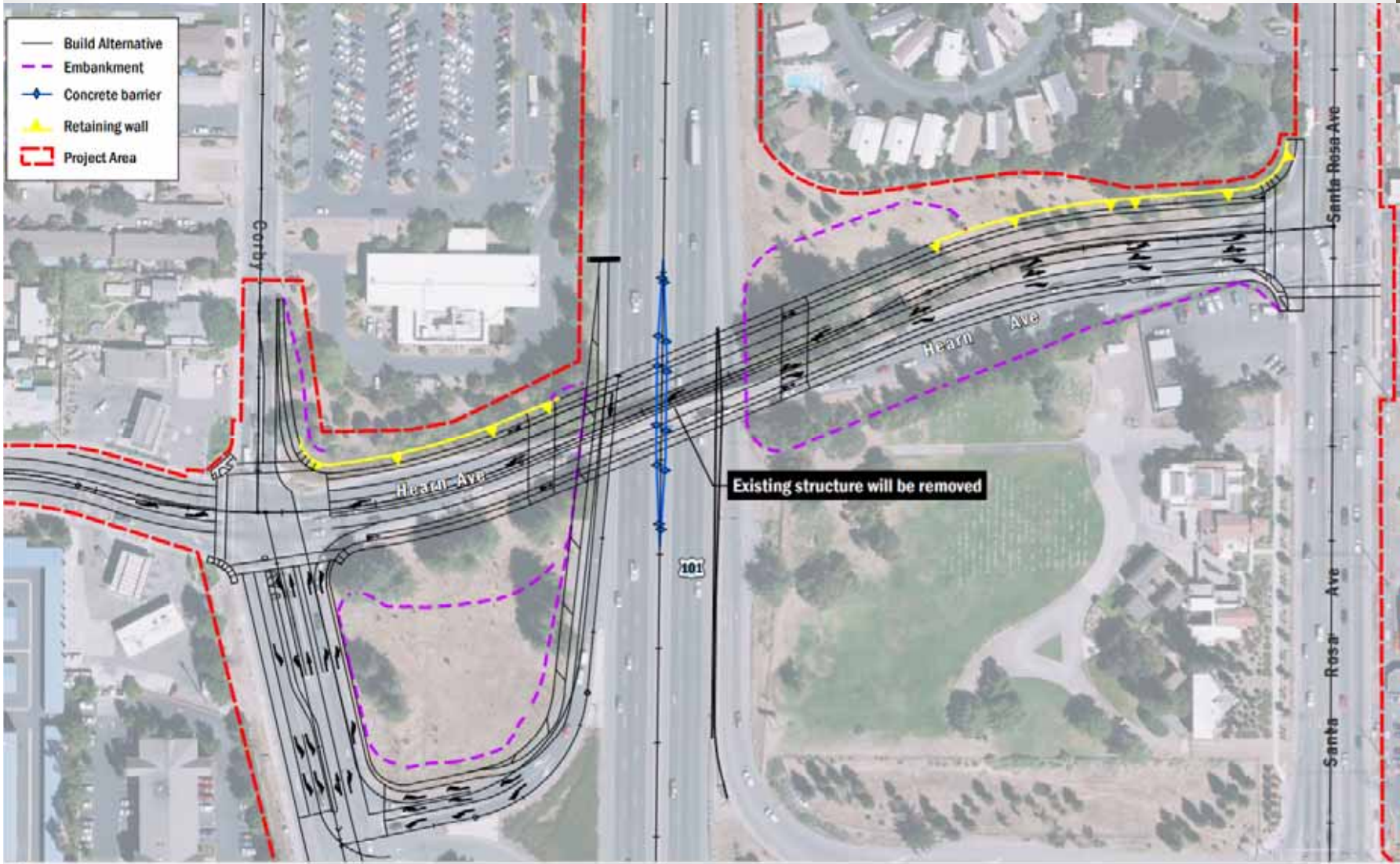
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BACKGROUND

- The BUILD program, which is replacing the TIGER program, is very competitive and enables the US Department of Transportation to use a rigorous merit-based process to select projects with exceptional benefits, explore ways to deliver projects faster and save on construction costs, and make needed investments in our Nation's infrastructure.
- The replacement of the interchange will provide a much-needed improvement to the existing undersized overcrossing while improving traffic circulation and enhancing pedestrian & bicycle access.
- The interchange reconstruction is the third phase of a three phase project.

ANALYSIS

- The City has completed the environmental compliance process through both California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).
- The City is currently in the process of working with Caltrans and a consultant to prepare the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the project.
- The City needs a large funding source, such as the BUILD grant, in order to secure sufficient funding for a project of this magnitude.
- The amount of grant to be requested will be \$19,200,000 for the construction of the Hearn Avenue Interchange project. The City will be responsible for \$4,800,000 of the construction, or 20% of the total estimated \$24,000,000 project.



RECOMMENDATION

- It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by motion, authorize the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a grant application to the US Department of Transportation for the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development, or BUILD, Transportation Discretionary Grant program.