



RELINQUISHMENT OF PORTIONS OF 3RD STREET AND COLLEGE AVENUE TO CALTRANS – REVISED DOCUMENTS

City Council Meeting
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BACKGROUND

- Caltrans began construction of the Highway 101 widening project between State Route 12 to Steele Lane in February 2006.
- The project included widening the Fourth Street Viaduct (spanning over Third, Fourth and Fifth Streets), the 9th Street Undercrossing Bridge, the College Avenue Undercrossing Bridge and the construction of the Sixth Street Bridge, widening.

BACKGROUND

- On May 17, 2019, Caltrans forwarded a January 20, 2016, letter requesting that the City take action to approve relinquishment documents for portions of 3rd Street and College Avenue that were acquired to complete improvements associated with the US Highway 101 Widening project through downtown Santa Rosa.
- The request was delayed due to a series of staffing changes at Caltrans, which was recently rectified resulting in a reissuing of the January 20, 2016, letter.

BACKGROUND

- Council approved acceptance of the relinquishment on August 6, 2019 and all documents were signed and transmitted on December 19, 2019.
- The Federal Highway Administration identified several relatively minor items that required correction.
- On November 9, 2020, Caltrans notified the City that revisions were required and requested that the City approve those revisions.

ANALYSIS

- City staff have reviewed all the project closeout documents as well as the right-of-way maps for accuracy and determined that it is appropriate for the City to proceed with this action to accept the revised portions of right-of-way being relinquished by Caltrans.

RECOMMENDATION

- It is recommended by the Department of Transportation and Public Works that Council, by resolution, adopt a resolution to correct previously adopted RES-2019-120 which accepts relinquished portions of 3rd Street and College Avenue from Caltrans associated with the US Highway 101 Widening Project, waives the “Intention to Relinquish” requirement, and authorizes the City Manager or their designee to execute required documents.