

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JASON NUTT, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: APPROVE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS TO
THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN
CONNECTION WITH THE STATE ROUTE 12/BOAS DRIVE
INTERSECTION SAFETY PROJECT

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department and Real Estate Services that the Council, by resolution: 1) approve the grant of a fee interest and a temporary construction easement in portions of the City property located at 0 Highway 12, Santa Rosa, CA 95409, APN 031-460-024, to the State of California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans"), for the State Route 12/Boas Drive Intersection Safety Project; and 2) authorize the Assistant City Manager to execute all necessary and appropriate documents, including grant deeds of conveyance, to complete the transfer.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Caltrans is funding a safety project to install traffic signals and construct pedestrian facilities at the State Route 12/Boas Drive/South Boas Drive intersection in Santa Rosa. To facilitate this work, Caltrans has requested the transfer of a portion of the City owned parcel in fee and a temporary construction easement to enhance vehicular and pedestrian safety along this stretch of roadway.

BACKGROUND

Caltrans is proposing to install traffic signals and construct pedestrian facilities at the State Route 12/Boas Drive/South Boas Drive intersection in Santa Rosa. The proposed traffic signals would control all four legs of the intersection and include pedestrian signals for proposed crosswalks at the north, south and east legs. The project will also include drainage modifications, landscaping and construction of retaining walls to improve corner sight distance at the intersection as well as replace curb ramps in the sidewalks and construct a portion of sidewalk to connect two sections in accordance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

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Caltrans requires an approximately ten (10) square foot piece of property in fee to permanently install a retaining wall and sidewalk and an approximately one hundred three (103) square foot temporary construction easement to access and construct the proposed retaining wall and sidewalk improvements, each of those areas of which are identified in Exhibit A to the Resolution. To facilitate this request, Caltrans is requesting that the City of Santa Rosa grant a fee parcel and eighteen (18) month temporary construction easement to the State, in exchange for compensation to the City in the amount of \$2,600.

Staff has worked with Caltrans and the next step is Council review and approval of the grant of a fee parcel and temporary construction easement.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Not applicable.

ANALYSIS

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The property owned by the City to be sold and/or encumbered abuts City right of way and Highway 12 on the south side and the City has no use for these pieces. Caltrans has offered \$2,600 as just compensation, which is judged to be reasonable given the lack of utility to the City, and that the proposed improvements will provide a general public benefit.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no foreseeable fiscal impact to the City. Caltrans will compensate the City a total of \$2,600 for the conveyances.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The State Route 12/Boas Drive Intersection Safety Project has been reviewed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and an Initial Study with Negative Declaration (IS/ND) was prepared and distributed for the required 30-day public review period on April 21, 2022. The Project has also been reviewed pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion. As

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the lead CEQA and NEPA agency for this project, Caltrans certified the final environmental documents and posted a Notice of Determination (NOD) to the State Clearinghouse Office of Planning and Research in August 2022.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution/ Exhibit A – Depiction of Fee Parcel and Temporary Construction Easement

PRESENTER

Jill Scott, Right of Way Agent