



STAFF REPORT

Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2015
To: Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager
From: Kevin Rohani, P.E. Public Works Director/ City Engineer

Approved and Forwarded to City Council:


Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager

SUBJECT: Approve Plans and Specifications for the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project - CIP No. 39 and Authorize Staff to Advertise the Project for Bid

Background and Analysis

The City's adopted FY 2015/16 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget designates funding for various infrastructure construction and replacement projects. This project is consistent with the City's goals to improve the quality of the City's public infrastructure and to enhance the quality of life for our residents.

The Marsh Creek Regional Trail is an important recreational asset for the Oakley community and is used by the residents regularly. This trail connects many neighborhoods and parks. With the growth of the community, the demands for access to this trail have increased over the past several years. During the development of the FY 2011/12 Capital Improvement Program, a project was created to design and construct a bridge across Marsh Creek that would provide pedestrian and bicyclist access to the Marsh Creek Regional Trail from Marsh Glen Park and Hill Avenue. This bridge would be a pre-fabricated structure made from self-weathering steel with a concrete deck similar to the other pedestrian bridges at Creekside Park and at the Cypress Grove neighborhood.

The design of this project began in 2012; however, due to the Public Works Department staffing transitions, the project was not constructed. The design of this project was started earlier this year is now complete. Over the past few months, Staff has been working with various permitting agencies to secure all required environmental permits for the project.

Plans and specifications for the project are complete and available for advertising after City Council approval. If the City Council approves this project, it will be advertised, and a construction contract will be presented to City Council for the award of construction contract at the City Council meeting on August 11, 2015. This project is scheduled for construction in fall 2015.

Fiscal Impact

The total budget for this project is \$250,000 including design and construction. It is funded from the Lighting & Landscape District Funds as approved in the FY 2015/16 CIP budget.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution approving plans and specifications for the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project, and to authorize Staff to advertise the project for bid.

Attachments

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION ___-15

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLEY APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR CIP 39 - HILL AVENUE MULTI-USE TRAIL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE THE PROJECT FOR BID

WHEREAS, plans and specifications for CIP 39 - Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project have been prepared by the City Engineer and duly filed with the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the design team as prepared the plans and specifications and Staff has reviewed and approved said plans and specifications and are now presenting for approval and authorization to advertise; and

WHEREAS, the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project is an important recreational asset for the Oakley community; and.

WHEREAS, This project is exempt from requiring an Initial Study analysis under the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15304 (Class 4 - Minor Alterations to Land). The project meets the requirements of this exemption because it consists of a minor alteration to an existing pedestrian and bicycle trail system by connecting two portions of the trail with a pedestrian bridge, and does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees. The project is also subject to the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan / Natural Community Conservation Plan, which, through a Planning Survey Report, identifies and includes measures ensuring less than significant impacts to applicable plant and animal species.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Oakley approves the plans and specifications for the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the Hill Avenue Multi-Use Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project for bid.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oakley at a meeting held on the 14th of July, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED:

Doug Hardcastle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Libby Vreonis, City Clerk

Date