



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: John Ristow

**SUBJECT: US 101/BLOSSOM HILL ROAD
INTERCHANGE PROJECT –
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**

DATE: October 28, 2019

Approved

Date

11-7-19

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute the Maintenance Agreement between the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the City of San José (City) for the US 101/Blossom Hill Road Interchange.

OUTCOME

The maintenance agreement will establish the maintenance responsibilities of Caltrans and the City for the improvements within Caltrans' jurisdiction and/or right of way that result from planned improvements to be constructed at the US 101/Blossom Hill Road Interchange.

BACKGROUND

In April 2016, the City and Caltrans collaboratively developed the US 101/Blossom Hill Road interchange improvement project following the Caltrans Project Development Procedures Manual. This project modifies and improves the operations and multi-modal characteristics of the US 101/Blossom Hill Road interchange. The project will widen the interchange to provide for one additional lane in each direction and construction of a Class I bicycle/pedestrian path along the north side of Blossom Hill Road through the interchange between Monterey Road and Coyote Road.

The project has an estimated construction cost of \$28.1 million that will be funded through the 2016 Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Measure B; a 30-year, half-cent countywide sales tax to enhance transit, highways, expressways, and active transportation. Construction is estimated to begin in Summer 2020 and be completed in Summer 2022.

Prior to issuing an encroachment permit for construction, Caltrans requires the proposed maintenance agreement be executed.

ANALYSIS

The proposed maintenance agreement is a standard agreement that establishes the responsibilities between Caltrans and the City for maintenance of improvements within the State's right-of-way. The following table summarizes the roles and responsibilities for each agency:

AGENCY	ROLE & RESPONSIBILITY
CSJ-DOT	• Top of the roadway surface and structural drainage system and all portions of the structure above the bridge deck • The City's side of any wall structure, slope paving, or column, free of debris, dirt, and graffiti • Any plantings or other types of roadside development lying outside of the area reserved for exclusive freeway use • The Class I bicycle/pedestrian facility
Caltrans	• The entire structure of the vehicular and pedestrian overcrossing of US 101 below the roadway surface and any pavement treatment on the bridge deck • The efficient operation of freeway interchanges including ramp connections to local streets and roads

CONCLUSION

City Council authorization for the City Manager to execute the Agreement will enable the Agreement to be in place prior to Caltrans issuing the encroachment permit for construction.

The City shall be responsible for issues arising from the maintenance obligations identified above, and Caltrans will be responsible for its maintained areas.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

No additional follow-up is anticipated at this time.

CLIMATE SMART SAN JOSE

The recommendation in this memorandum aligns with one or more Climate Smart San José energy, water, or mobility goals.

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PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

This memorandum will be posted on the City's website for the November 19, 2019 City Council Agenda.

COORDINATION

This memorandum and agreement have been coordinated with the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, the City Manager's Budget Office, and the City Attorney's Office.

COMMISSION RECCOMENDATION/INPUT

There is no commission recommendation or input associated with this action.

FISCAL/POLICY ALIGNMENT

The recommended action is the final step necessary for Caltrans to issue an encroachment permit for the US 101/Blossom Hill Interchange project. The project is consistent with multiple City policy documents including the Envision 2040 General Plan and the Edenvale Area Development Policy.

COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

FISCAL IMPACT: Estimated maintenance costs for streetlights and trees associated with the US 101/Blossom Hill Interchange project (\$5,000) was included in the 2020-2024 Five-Year Forecast and is anticipated to begin in 2021-2022. Maintenance costs for these items will be included as part of the 2021-2022 operating budget process. The additional maintenance costs of the Class I bicycle/pedestrian facility structure are planned to be included in the 2021-2025 Five-Year Forecast, with funding anticipated to begin 2021-2022 and included as part of the operating budget process for that fiscal year.

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CEQA

Categorically Exempt, File No. 18-053, CEQA Guidelines 15301 Existing Facilities.

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