



## **COUNCIL REPORT**

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| <b>DATE:</b>     | May 10, 2022   |
| <b>CATEGORY:</b> | Consent  |
| <b>DEPT.:</b>    | Public Works   |
| <b>TITLE:</b>    | <b>Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection<br/>Near-Term Improvements,<br/>Project 16-40—Accept Construction</b> |

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Accept Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection Near-Term Improvements, Project 16-40, and authorize the final contract payment.

### **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

“Acceptance” of a construction contract is a legal event recognized by State law when the City verifies the contractor has satisfactorily completed a public project. Once accepted, the work on the public project is complete and other actions occur, such as final payment to the contractor and the release of bonds obtained by the contractor that ensure completion of the project. Following acceptance, the City becomes responsible for the maintenance of the public project.

On June 4, 2019, the City Council approved plans and specifications for Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection Near-Term Improvements, Project 16-40, and authorized award of the construction contract if the low bid was within the project budget. The contract was awarded to O’Grady Paving, Inc., at the low bid price of \$1,375,110, including a \$100,000 construction contingency. The project included the reconfiguration of northbound Castro Street by eliminating the two left-turn lanes onto westbound Central Expressway, creating two through lanes, installing a through bicycle lane, providing a designated right-turn-only lane onto eastbound Central Expressway, and tightening the radius of the right-turn lanes from Central Expressway to northbound Moffett Boulevard and to southbound Castro Street. In addition, the project included traffic signal modifications, and signage and striping improvements to enhance bicycle and pedestrian safety at the intersection.

In June 2020, the Castro Street closure was implemented to support downtown Mountain View by allowing outdoor dining on Castro Street during the COVID-19 pandemic recovery. The street closure, together with the limited transit services at the Transit Center, allowed for reduced potential conflicts between all road users during construction. Temporary traffic control for the project, including signs, cones, and other devices, were modified in accordance with the traffic control setup for the closure of the 100 block of Castro Street. The project has enhanced active

transportation access to the outdoor dining on Castro Street by eliminating the conflicts between vehicles turning left from northbound Central Expressway and the pedestrians and bicyclists crossing Central Expressway.

The final construction cost of \$1,331,365 is within the construction contract amount of \$1,375,110 and included one change order for \$96,661 and a final quantity adjustment change order resulting in contract savings of \$43,745. All work has been completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Castro/Moffett/Central Intersection Near-Term Improvements, Project 16-40, is funded with \$275,000 from the Construction/Conveyance Tax Fund, \$425,000 from the Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund, and \$1,000,000 from the Merlone Geier Community Benefit Funding, for a total of \$1,700,000. The total project expenditure is estimated to be \$1,600,000, including design, project administration, construction management, inspection, and other costs. Any funds remaining will be returned to the Construction/Conveyance Tax Fund and Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund, in proportion to the project's use of these funding sources, once the project is closed.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Determine that the improvements have not been completed in conformance with City standards and decline to accept the improvements until they are completed to the satisfaction of the City Council.

**PUBLIC NOTICING**—Agenda posting.

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