

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED;
RESOLUTION NO. 08-6629 ADOPTED AND;
AGREEMENT NOS. 08-2717 AND 08-2718 APPROVED
BY THE BOARD OF HARBOR COMMISSIONERS

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**THE PORT
OF LOS ANGELES**
Executive Director's
Report to the
Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: September 25, 2008

FROM: ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO.: 08-6629 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR PROJECT 1: JOHN S. GIBSON BLVD/I-110 FREEWAY ACCESS RAMP (IMPROVEMENTS) AND SR-47/I-110 NORTHBOUND CONNECTOR WIDENING AND PROJECT 2: "C" STREET/I-110 ACCESS RAMP IMPROVEMENTS

SUMMARY:

The Port of Los Angeles (Port), on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, has partnered with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), on behalf of the State of California, to improve access to and from the Interstate 110 (I-110) Freeway at State Route (SR) 47, John S. Gibson Blvd. and "C" Street ramps. As part of this effort, the following two projects have been developed conceptually:

Project 1: John S. Gibson Blvd/I-110 Freeway Access Ramp Improvements and SR-47/I-110 Northbound Connector Widening

Project 2: "C" Street/I-110 Access Ramp Improvements

To continue work on these two projects, a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans is required to define the respective roles and responsibilities of each agency for the development and approval of a Caltrans Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA/ED), Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E), and Right-of-Way (ROW) certification.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners:

1. Approve Cooperative Agreement No. 07-4781 between the City of Los Angeles and Caltrans District 7 for PA/ED, PS&E and ROW certification for Project 1;

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widened to two lanes, and the intersection of John S. Gibson Blvd at I-110 northbound ramps will be modified. These improvements will be coordinated with changes to the "C" Street/I-110 Access Ramp Improvements and other planned transportation projects. See attached drawing.

Project 2: "C" Street/I-110 Access Ramp Improvements

This project, in conjunction with the relocation of the TraPac terminal entrance, combines two closely spaced intersections: John S. Gibson Blvd. and Harry Bridges Blvd. and "C" Street and Figueroa Street to provide direct access from the northbound I-110 Freeway to Harry Bridges Blvd. A cul-de-sac at "C" Street will also be provided. The "C" Street/I-110 Access Ramp improvement project will improve the mobility of traffic in and around the West Basin area and at this major connection to the I-110 Freeway for traffic to and from the TraPac terminal along with all other facilities in the Inner Harbor and Wilmington Industrial Park. See attached drawing.

2. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Pursuant to the State's Street and Highways Code Section 114 and 130, the State and the City are required to enter into a Cooperative Agreement for the proposed improvements to the State Highway System within the City of Los Angeles.

Through these Agreements, Caltrans and the Port would agree to the terms and conditions under which these two projects are to be developed, designed, and financed. The Port would obtain necessary environmental clearance for the projects and design the improvements to Caltrans' standards. Through this process, Caltrans would provide necessary permits, clearances and prompt reviews for environmental and design documents.

It should be emphasized that approval of these Agreements does not constitute final Board approval of the projects. Also, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approval for separate Cooperative Agreements with Caltrans will be required for the construction phase.


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TRANSMITTALS:


1. Project 1: Drawing: John S. Gibson Blvd/I-110 Freeway Access Ramp Improvements and SR-47/I-110 Northbound Connector Widening
2. Project 2: Drawing: "C" Street/I-110 Access Ramp Improvements
3. Project 1: Cooperative Agreement No. 07-4781
4. Project 2: Cooperative Agreement No. 07-4782


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