REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: AUGUST 24, 2005

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER BY: JIM THORSEN, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS FOR U.S. 101/KANAN ROAD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS; NIB 05-02

Staff is requesting City Council authorization to seek bids for the U.S. 101/Kanan Road Interchange Improvements project. The scope of work consists of reconfiguring the existing tight diamond interchange into a partial cloverleaf configuration. Construction of new loop ramps, drainage, retaining walls, bridge widening, traffic signals, signing, striping, electrical, and landscaping will be completed. The attached exhibit shows a simulated picture of how the interchange will look upon completion.

Staff is prepared to advertise the project upon Caltrans' pending approval of our *Request For Authorization (RFA) to Proceed with Construction* (also known as the "E-76" form). Once this authorization has been granted by Caltrans, City staff will advertise the project for 45 days. Staff will bring back a recommendation to City Council to award the project immediately after confirming the lowest responsive bidder. Construction is anticipated to begin 30 days from the award of the contract and should take one year to complete.

The Engineer's estimate of construction is \$10.45 million. Construction costs will be paid from a combination of Federal (TEA21-LU/National Scenic Byway Program/STPL) grant funds, MTA grant funds, and local funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the project and authorize the Assistant City Manager to seek bids for the U.S. 101/Kanan Road Interchange Improvements (NIB 05-02).

Attachment: Computerized Rendering of Completed Interchange Improvements