

## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

**DATE: MAY 11, 2005**

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER**

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**SUBJECT: AGOURA ROAD BIKE LANE PROJECT - PHASE II, NIB 04-04;  
PROJECT UPDATE AND AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FOR  
ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

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At its November 10, 2004 meeting, the City Council awarded a construction contract to Excel Paving Company (Excel) in the amount of \$987,663 for the Agoura Road Bike Lane Project – Phase II; NIB 04-04. Since the low bid exceeded the approved budget by approximately \$175,000, City Council authorized the City Engineer to negotiate with the contractor to reduce the scope of work to align with existing budgeted funds. Staff indicated at the meeting that a discussion of the project's progress and budget would be brought back to City Council to outline the reduction in scope of work. This discussion would then allow City Council to evaluate whether or not to increase the budget to fund the entire project.

Originally, Kanan Road to the westerly City boundary was to receive an overlay after the bike lane improvements were constructed. City staff and the contractor agreed to potentially eliminate the overlay from Ladyface Court to the westerly City boundary. This revised scope of work would bring the project in line with the budgeted funds. The project started on March 7<sup>th</sup> and has been progressing smoothly; however, there have been a few change orders required to correct unforeseen field conditions. In order to accommodate these change orders, the small contingency for the project has been utilized.

The contractor is nearing completion of the reduced scope of work project. The final items of work include:

- pavement rehabilitation
- overlay from Kanan Road to Reyes Adobe Road
- re-striping

At this point in time, staff is requesting direction on whether to continue with the revised scope of work (without paving west of Ladyface Court) or add \$175,000 in funding to complete the original scope of work. It is staff's recommendation to provide an additional \$175,000 of funding in order to complete the project as originally designed, which would need to come from General Fund Reserves. This approach would properly complete the project and save funds in the long term as the costs for materials, mobilization, and staff time would be reduced. In

addition, this section of Agoura Road is one of the top priorities in our pavement maintenance program.

If City Council decides to not fund the overlay work, no additional funds will be necessary as City staff will direct the contractor to finish the negotiated reduced scope of work.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Appropriate \$175,000 from the General Fund Reserves to fully fund the construction costs and contingencies to complete the original construction contract for the Agoura Road Bike Lane Project – Phase II, NIB 04-04.