CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda date: April 4, 2005 Prepared on: March 28, 2005

Reviewed by _____

SUBJECT: Approval and Acceptance, Traffic Calming Improvements, Contract No. 04-01

(AJW Construction)

FROM: Randy Leptien, City Engineer

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 05-10, approving and accepting improvements and directing the filing of the Notice of Completion for Contract No. 04-01, Traffic Calming Construction with AJW Construction.

BACKGROUND

Adoption of the resolution directs the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion in the Office of the County Recorder. Recording of the Notice is a legal requirement that limits the period for filing liens against the project to 30 days beginning with the date of recording. The retained funds, which amount to 10% of the Contract, will be released to the Contractor between 35 and 45 days following the recording of the notice provided no liens are filed.

This action also provides an opportunity for staff to summarize the results and funding status of the project.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

In September 2001, the City Council passed Resolution #01-65 which prioritized the first group of neighborhood traffic calming measures. The specific design of these projects evolved somewhat based on subsequent meetings between the Traffic & Safety Commission, the traffic engineering consultant, and neighborhoods residents. These eight projects include the following:

- 1. Raised crosswalk at Manor Way and Peralta
- 2. Raised crosswalk at Manor Way and Ordway
- 3. Center island and pedestrian island at Santa Fe Avenue and Pomona
- 4. Center island and pedestrian island at Santa Fe Avenue and Ramona
- 5. Traffic circle at Ordway and Posen
- 6. Pedestrian island at Marin Avenue and Santa Fe (adjacent to Marin School)
- 7. Sidewalk bulbouts at Marin Avenue and Curtis (adjacent to Marin School)
- 8. New and repositioned stop signs and striping at Washington and Pomona

To date, the general response from the neighborhood and Commission has generally been positive. Nonetheless, staff will be evaluating the effectiveness of these measures by comparing before and after speed and volume data.

Because various types of measures were installed, future decisions should be easier in determining the appropriate design for the appropriate location. In addition, the plans are now owned by the City which will hopefully reduce future engineering costs for similar projects.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

A construction contract was let in 2004 to AJW in the amount of \$145,699.50. The project is complete and invoices paid to date total \$131,739. Ten percent, or about \$14,000, has been retained pending the filing of this Notice of Completion. Thus, the construction work was within the contract amount.

With regard to the overall project cost, the City Council allocated \$215,000 in Measure F funds in 2004 for construction and construction management of these traffic calming projects. However, because Measure F funding was not available in the early stage of this project, Gas Tax monies were used for the majority of the engineering design and review work as approved in the CIP (Capital Improvements Program) for "Transportation Projects." In addition, \$44,421 in 2003-04 Bicycle/Pedestrian - Measure B funds, and \$19,500 in Jobs/Housing Balance program funds, was applied to this project which helped to further off-set Measure F monies.

Revenue

These traffic calming projects were paid for the following funds:

Measure F - Fund 770: \$ 106,663 (includes 10% retainer)

Gas Tax – Fund 720: \$ 53,593

Measure B (ACTIA) bicycle

Attachment

Resolution No. 05-10