

AGENDA ITEM 8.D

REQUEST

APPROVE A LIST OF CITY OF TRACY PROJECTS FOR SAN JOAQUIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT'S ONE VOICE TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C., FOR CONGRESSIONAL FUNDING APPROPRIATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the list of projects by City Council will make these projects eligible for congressional funding appropriations.

DISCUSSION

Every year the City of Tracy submits a list of projects for consideration at the annual congressional funding appropriations during One Voice trip to Washington D.C., by San Joaquin County, Council of Governments, and cities elected officials. Each city is requested to submit a total of two projects; one project of regional significance, and one project for local improvements.

Staff has reviewed the existing needs of various transportation projects and is recommending the following two projects for the One Voice trip:

- I-205/Lammers Road Interchange Improvements
Total Construction Cost - \$59 million
Requested appropriation - \$5 million
- New MacArthur Drive above grade crossing over UPRR Mococo line
Total Construction Cost - \$35 million
Requested appropriation - \$8 million

The I-205/Lammers Road project is of regional significance and will connect Byron Road and Contra Costa County to Highway 580. This project is also essential for development of the Tracy Gateway project and will initiate developments north of I-205 along Lammers Road.

The existing at-grade Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Mococo line crossings with various roads (existing MacArthur Drive, Central Avenue, Tracy Boulevard, and Corral Hollow Road) will divide the City into two separate unconnected areas for the duration of the freight trains movement through the City when the line is activated for higher volumes of train traffic. The proposed above grade crossing at the new MacArthur Drive alignment over the Mococo line will alleviate this condition on the east side of the City and allow quick movement of emergency vehicles on both sides of the Mococo rail line. This will further allow the uninterrupted flow of traffic on both sides of the railroad.

This list of projects, after approval from City Council, will be submitted to the San Joaquin Council of Governments.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. In addition to the requested congressional appropriations, funding of the above projects will be shared by a variety of sources including Measure K Sales Tax and development impact fees.

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council approve the list of City of Tracy projects for the San Joaquin Council of Government's One Voice Trip to Washington D.C. for congressional funding appropriation.

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Approved by: Andrew Malik, Development & Engineering Services Director
Leon Churchill, Jr., City Manager

RESOLUTION _____

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That City Council approves the list of City of Tracy projects for the San Joaquin Council of Government's One Voice Trip to Washington D.C. for congressional funding appropriation.

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The foregoing Resolution of the City Council was adopted by the City Council on the 2nd day of December 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK