

State of California
Business, Transportation and Housing Agency
Department of Transportation

PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS
Extension Request – Contract Award
Action Item

Prepared By:
Terry L. Abbott
Chief
Division of Local Assistance
(916) 653-1776

CTC Meeting: August 22-23, 2001

Agenda Item: 2.8b.(1)

Original Signed By _____
MARK LEJA
Acting Chief Financial Officer
August 1, 2001

WAIVER REQUEST – CTC RESOLUTION G-01-21
CTC STIP GUIDELINES
SECTION 65 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS PROJECTS
TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES (TEA) PROGRAM
WAIVER-01-46

SUMMARY

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) has allocated \$558,000 for the Oaklawn Bridge Restoration Project. The City of South Pasadena (City) requests a 6-month extension to award the contract.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) supports the project extension request.

BACKGROUND

Resolution G-01-21, STIP Guidelines, adopted by the Commission on July 12, 2001, stipulates that funds allocated for the construction phase of local grant projects are available for contract award for a period of 12 months from the date of allocation.

The project, Oaklawn Bridge Restoration (PPNO 7080), received an allocation of \$558,000 for construction on June 15, 2000. Although the deadline has passed for contract award, June 15, 2001, the City has requested an extension of six months to allow sufficient time to resolve outstanding issues that have caused unforeseen delays in the project. The City expects the construction contract to be awarded within the timeframe of the extension request. There is an issue regarding the scope of the project. To avoid an adverse effect on this National Register Bridge, the City is requesting an amendment to the original National Register Nomination that will render a non-structural pier in the central arch of the five-span concrete arch bridge, a non-contributing element. The amendment needs to be acted upon by the California Historic Resources Commission (CHRC). Upon CHRC approval the amendment will be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register (Keeper) for concurrence. The Keeper has promised an expeditious review of the project. The project cannot be extended for more than six months because of the concurrent construction of the MTA Blue Line that runs beneath the Oaklawn Bridge. These issues will be resolved and the six-month extension will allow the project to progress to construction. The revised deadline will be December 15, 2001.