



Legislation Text

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Community Development Services, Department of Transportation, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Authorize the addition of a new project to the 2017 Capital Improvement Program, pending funding approval, as the Francisco Drive Americans with Disabilities Act Improvement Project; and
- 2) Direct Department of Transportation staff to request \$350,000 in Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funding from the El Dorado County Transportation Commission for this new Project.

FUNDING: Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program. (100% - Federal Funding)

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Community Development Services (CDS), Department of Transportation (Transportation), recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Authorize the addition of a new project to the 2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), pending funding approval, as the Francisco Drive Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Improvement Project (Project); and
- 2) Direct Transportation staff to request \$350,000 in Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) funding from the El Dorado County Transportation Commission for this new Project.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

CDS Transportation staff has prepared cost estimates for several Priority Level 1, "Known Routes of Disabled Citizens," project locations, noted in the ADA Formal Transition Plan for County Maintained Roadways (ADA Transition Plan) which was adopted by the Board on August 29, 2017 (Item 35). Transportation staff evaluated priorities, cost, and location for the best combination of ADA sites to combine into a single CIP project.

The two locations that were found to best meet the criteria are:

- Francisco Drive and Schooner Drive
- Francisco Drive and Kensington Drive

The location of these two ADA sites are within 600 feet of each other, have above average pedestrian traffic volumes, and are adjacent to Lake Forest Elementary School (School) and Windsor Point Park (Park) in El Dorado Hills. As noted in the ADA Transition Plan, both of these are Priority Level 1 sites and are listed in the first group of projects to be completed in Fiscal Year 2018/19.

At the Francisco Drive and Schooner Drive intersection, the Project proposes to relocate the crosswalk on Francisco Drive to the other side of the Schooner Drive intersection, creating a more direct route between the School, Park, and existing sidewalks. The crosswalk on Schooner will remain and be improved with new delineation. In addition to this, new ADA compliant curb ramps will be installed where warranted to accommodate the crosswalks. The cost of these improvements is estimated at \$167,000.

At the Francisco Drive and Kensington Drive intersection, the Project proposes to improve crosswalk delineation, install new ADA compliant curb ramps, and replace approximately 200 feet of concrete sidewalk. The cost of these improvements is estimated at \$183,000.

The Project total estimated cost of \$350,000 includes planning, environmental, design, right of way, and construction. The cost estimating method takes into consideration utility conflicts, landscaping, traffic control, and current construction unit prices from similar projects.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1) The Board could approve the proposed Project and direct Transportation staff to seek alternate funding.
- 2) The Board could choose not to approve the new Project under the ADA Transition Plan and jeopardize the County's compliance with ADA.
- 3) The Board could direct Transportation staff to evaluate different project(s) under the ADA Transition Plan and seek funding for those projects.

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC)

CAO RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact or change to Net County Cost associated with this item. The Board will not obligate the County with the current requested action.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

TRANSPORTATION FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

Transportation will request STBGP funds from the EDCTC in the amount authorized by the Board.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Infrastructure

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