# **STAFF REPORT**

## **City of Lancaster**

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Date: September 13, 2011

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: Cooperative Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for Road

Improvements on Avenue N from 45<sup>th</sup> Street West to 30<sup>th</sup> Street West

#### **Recommendation:**

Approve the Cooperative Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for the construction of road improvements on the jurisdictionally shared area of Avenue N from 45<sup>th</sup> Street West to 1,800 feet east of 30<sup>th</sup> Street West. Approve the use of \$636,000.00 from Capital Improvements Budget Account No. 206-12ST023-924 for the City's share of the work. Concur with the County's finding that the proposed project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. Authorize the Mayor to sign all documents.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

\$636,000.00; sufficient funds are available in Capital Improvements Budget Account Nos. 206-12ST023-924. Associated annual maintenance costs are considered negligible.

#### **Background:**

The proposed cooperative agreement is for road improvements on Avenue N from 45<sup>th</sup> Street West to 1,800 feet east of 30<sup>th</sup> Street West. The County shall advertise the project for public bids and will be responsible for construction management. The agreement also provides that the County will assign the City all of its rights, title, and interest to the unlapsed portion of a one-year warranty granted to the County by the construction contractor performing the improvements following completion of the proposed work. The project cost is estimated at \$1,562,000.00 with the City's share being \$636,000.00.

The project is categorically exempt from the provision of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA guidelines and Class 1(x), Subsections 2, 4, and 22 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines. A Notice of Exemption was prepared by the County on June 10, 2010. Staff has reviewed the document and concurs with the findings.

Following approval and execution of the cooperative agreement by the City, County Board of Supervisors will approve the document and request from the City the temporary jurisdiction to construct the proposed improvements. When this request has been received, staff will submit a resolution for approval by the City Council granting the County the temporary jurisdiction.

### **Attachment**:

Cooperative Agreement with the County of Los Angeles

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