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**HAYWARD**  
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**DATE:** March 24, 2009  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council  
**FROM:** Director of Public Works  
**SUBJECT:** New Sidewalks Berry Avenue – Soto Road to Whitman Street: Approval of Plans and Specifications and Call for Bids

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts the attached resolution approving the plans and specifications for the New Sidewalks: Berry Avenue – Soto Road to Whitman Street project and calls for bids to be received on April 21, 2009.

### **BACKGROUND**

The project consists of installing sidewalk, curb, and gutter with pavement and driveway conforms on both sides of Berry Avenue from Soto Road to Whitman Street. New 6-foot or 4-foot wide concrete sidewalk will be installed to tie into existing sidewalks. In areas where there are 4-foot sidewalks, there are also 4-foot planter areas. The proposed improvements will provide safe pedestrian access to Harder Elementary School along Berry Avenue. A location map graphically depicting the limits of work is attached (see Exhibit A). To satisfy requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), accessible ramps will be installed at the curb returns located within the limits of the project.

### **DISCUSSION**

On April 15, 2008, the City successfully obtained \$531,000 in State funding under Cycle 7 of the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program for sidewalk improvements approaching Harder Elementary School on Berry Avenue from Soto Road to Whitman Streets. The City will utilize Measure B funds to provide the required match of 10 percent and any additional monies that may be needed to complete the project.

At the intersection of Muir Street and Berry Avenue, right-of-way easements at the corner parcels must be acquired to provide sufficient width for accessible ramps, sidewalks, and on-street parking. At other properties, right-of-entry authorizations must be acquired to grant the City permission to allow the contractor to enter the property to install driveway and frontage conforms. Staff has been in contact with all the affected property owners. Twelve of the 14 right-of-entry authorizations have

been obtained. Staff is working on obtaining the three right-of-way easements. This project will have minimal impact to all properties. Positive comments have been received from residents with whom staff has been in contact. All needed right-of-way and right-of-entry authorizations will be secured prior to the award of contract, as required for state-funded projects.

The project is categorically exempt under sections 15301 (b) and (c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing facilities.

## **FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT**

The estimated project costs are as follows:

Contract Construction	\$ 420,000
Right-of-Way	30,000
Utility Adjustments (City forces)	30,000
Design and Administration	50,000
Inspection and Testing	60,000
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Total	\$ 590,000

The FY 2009 Capital Improvement Program includes \$590,000 in the Measure B Tax Fund (Pedestrians and Bicycles) for the New Sidewalks Berry Avenue – Soto Road to Whitman Street project. The City will receive \$531,000 in reimbursement from Cycle 7 of the State SR2S Program.

## **PUBLIC CONTACT**

As noted above, staff has been working with affected property owners, to provide information about the project and in acquiring the necessary rights-of entries and right-of-way easements.

## **SCHEDULE**

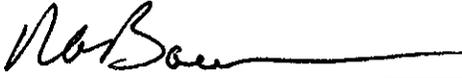
Advertise	March 24, 2009
Open Bids	April 21, 2009
Award Contract	May 12, 2009
Begin Work	May 26, 2009
Complete Work	July 21, 2009

Prepared by:



Morad Fakhrai, Deputy Director of Public Works

Recommended by:



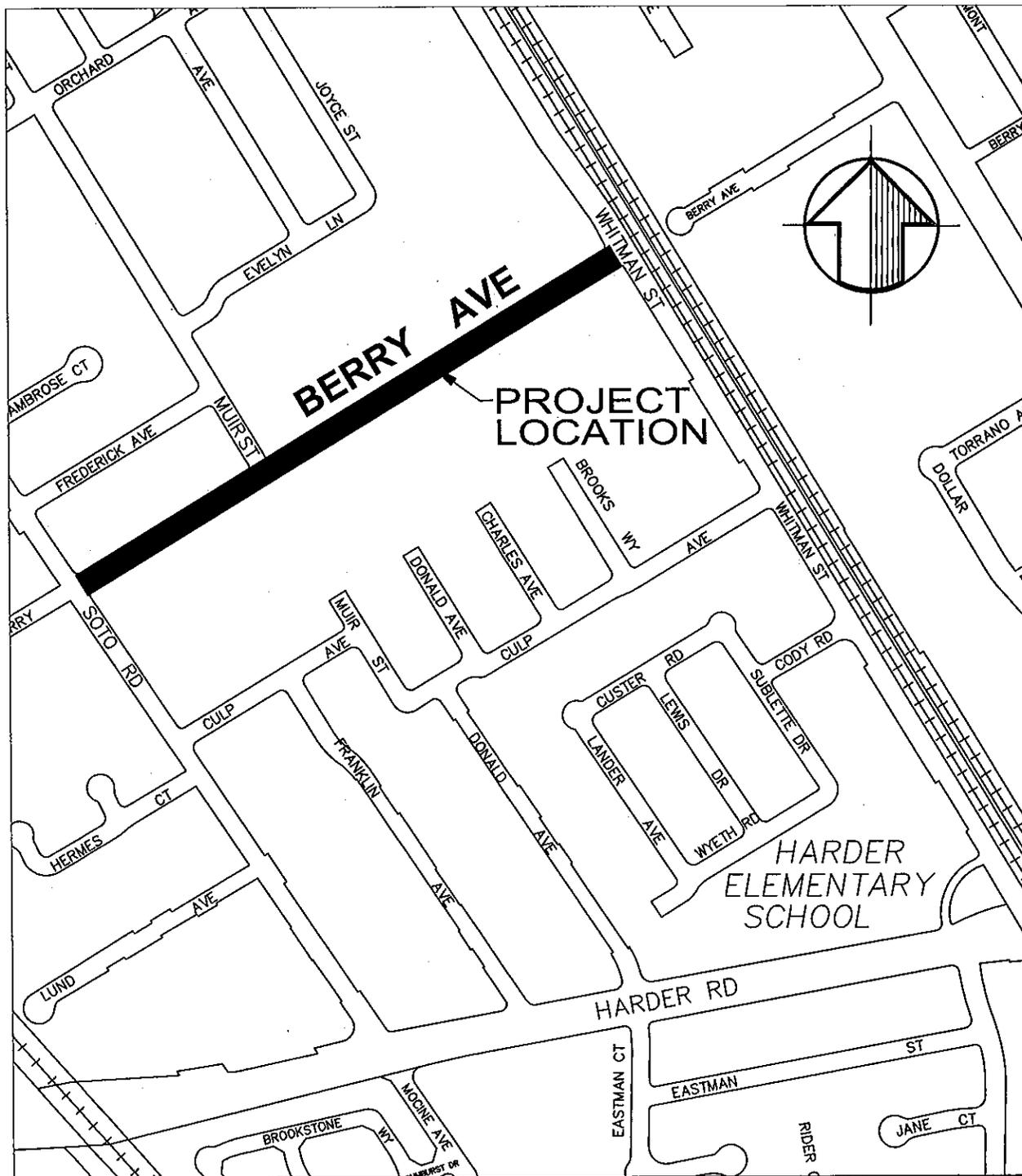
Robert A. Bauman, Director of Public Works

Approved by:



Gregory L. Jones, City Manager

Exhibit A: Project Location Map  
Resolution



**LOCATION MAP**  
**NEW SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION**  
**BERRY AVENUE - SOTO ROAD TO WHITMAN STREET**  
**PROJECT NO. 5173**



ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk of the City of Hayward

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney of the City of Hayward