



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Supervisors

Meeting Date: October 19, 2017

Staff Contact: Darren Schulz, Public Works Director

Agenda Title: For Possible Action: To authorize staff to advance the 60% design of the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project and approve the allocation of \$1,336,000 from the Infrastructure Tax Fund and \$550,000 from the RACC Fund to meet the current project cost estimate and allow the proposed project improvements to match the quality of streetscape improvements installed on Carson Street and improve the five cross streets between Carson Street and Curry Street from Musser to Robinson. (Dan Stucky; DStucky@carson.org)

Staff Summary: At previous Board of Supervisor's meetings, staff informed the Board that they would provide periodic updates on activity regarding the Downtown Streetscape Project, with specific checkpoints to provide approval. The Downtown Curry Streetscape Project represents the final planned phase of the Downtown Streetscape Project. In addition to the review and approval of the 60% design of the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project, staff is requesting to allocate \$1,336,000 from the Infrastructure Tax Fund to allow for the project to incorporate similar type and quality of streetscape improvements that were recently constructed along Carson Street for the Downtown Carson Streetscape Project.

In addition to the streetscape improvements on Curry Street, staff plans to initiate the design of street beautification improvements for five east-west downtown streets between Carson Street and Curry Street (Robinson Street, Spear Street, Telegraph Street, Proctor Street and Musser Street) and the Telegraph to Spear alley. The improvements to the cross streets and alley are funded by \$550,000 from the Redevelopment Authority Citizens Committee (RACC). The proposed schedule is to incorporate all the above improvements into the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project and construct during the 2018 construction season.

Agenda Action: Formal Action/Motion

Time Requested: 20 minutes

Proposed Motion

Move to authorize staff to advance the 60% design of the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project and approve the request to transfer funds, in the amount of \$1,336,000 from the Infrastructure Tax Fund, to construct the project as currently designed.

Board's Strategic Goal

Economic Development

Previous Action

August 6, 2015 - The City staff and project design team presented the 30% design of the Downtown Streetscape Project to the Board of Supervisors for approval. In addition to the Carson Street improvements, the streetscape improvements for Curry Street between Robinson Street and Musser Street were also included in the 30% design plan review. The Board of Supervisors approved the motion to direct staff to advance the 30% design of the Downtown Streetscape Project.

Background/Issues & Analysis

On August 6, 2015, the Board of Supervisors approved a motion to authorize staff to advance the 30% design of the Downtown Streetscape Project. Included in this design approval were the streetscape improvements for Curry Street between Robinson Street and Musser Street. After advancement of the design to the 60% level, the Curry Street improvements and associated plans were separated from the Carson Street improvement plans. As originally planned, the Carson Street improvements were advanced to final design and constructed in 2016 with the plan to finish design and construction of the Curry Street improvements in 2018.

In March of 2017, the RACC approved a 5-year Redevelopment Allocation Plan identifying \$500,000 for the construction of East-West Downtown Street Improvements and \$50,000 for Telegraph to Spear Street Alley Improvements. City staff plans to incorporate these cross street improvements into the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project and construct all project improvements during the 2018 construction season.

The 60% design cost estimate for the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project, including the beautification of east-west downtown streets, is approximately \$3,222,000. Current funding allocated to the project is approximately \$1,961,000. In order for the project to incorporate similar type and quality of streetscape improvements that were recently constructed along Carson Street for the Downtown Carson Streetscape Project, \$1,336,000 is required to be allocated from the Infrastructure Tax Fund.

Once all project features are advanced to the 90% design (anticipated for January 2018), City staff and the design team will present the design for review and comment at a future RACC, RTC and BOS meeting.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation

N/A

Financial Information

Is there a fiscal impact? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, account name/number: 257-0615-465.70-40 Infrastructure Tax Fund

Is it currently budgeted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanation of Fiscal Impact: Allocation of \$1,336,000 from the Infrastructure Tax Fund to the Downtown Curry Streetscape Project.

Alternatives

The Board directs staff and the design team to modify or remove design components, such as surface materials, planters, seating areas, and other streetscape amenities, to allow the project design to match the available budget constraints.

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____

1) _____

Aye/Nay

2) _____

(Vote Recorded By)



Downtown Curry Streetscape Project

Dan Stucky- Carson City Public Works
Mike Bennett- Lumos and Associates
Jeff Bean- Q&D Construction

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Presentation Outline

- Project Background and Schedule
- Overview of Project Elements
- Summary of Cost Estimate





Project Background

2014

- Initiate design for Downtown Streetscape Project

2015

- Complete 60% design for Downtown Curry and Carson Streetscape Projects

2016

- Complete design and construction of Downtown Carson Streetscape Project

2017

- Sept 2017- Public outreach to businesses
- Advance design of Downtown Curry Streetscape Project

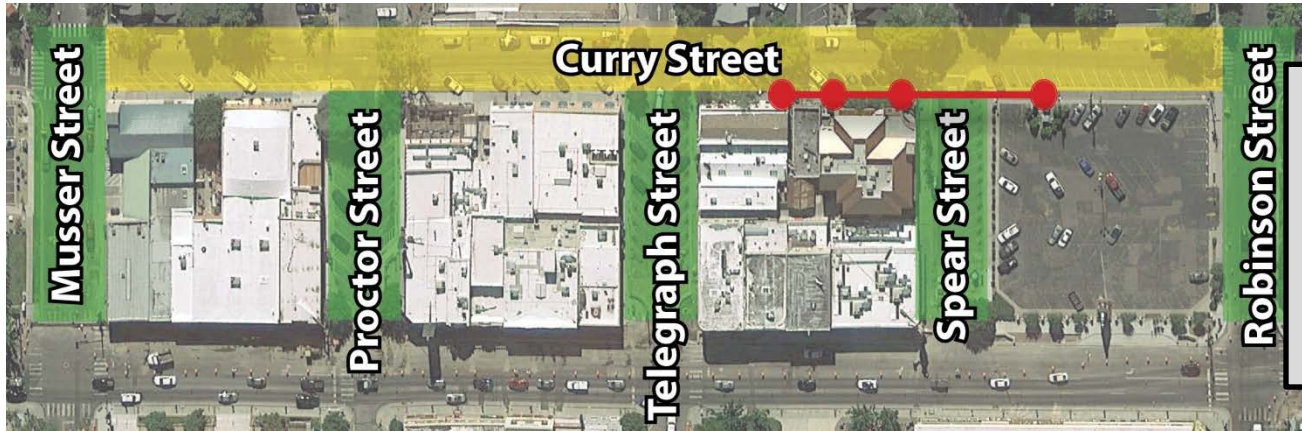
2018

- Public outreach through project completion
- Complete design and construction of Downtown Curry Streetscape Project

Curry Street Improvements



Additive #1- Underground Power



LEGEND

-  Curry Street Improvements
-  East-West Downtown Street and Telegraph-Spear Alley Improvements
-  Power Poles



Existing Overhead Power

Additive #2- LED Street Lights



Existing Gas Street Lights

East-West Downtown Street Improvements



Spear Street



Telegraph Street



Telegraph Square



Alley



Proctor Street



Musser Street





Beautification Opportunities

PAVING

The same paving materials as used on Carson Street should be used in areas where the existing paving is deteriorating. Some sidewalks that already have paving in good condition could remain to create an eclectic feel to the streetscape, some existing pavers are different colors.



PLANTER WALLS AND SEATWALLS

The addition of permanent planters, seatwalls and landscaping can be used in areas where there is room and in places where existing planters are already located.



EMBLEMS AND ICONS

The simple and cost effective addition of emblems in the paving and plaques on furnishings is proposed.



CROSS WALKS

Concrete banded paver crosswalks as used on Carson Street should be added to enhance the streetscape, slow vehicles and increase pedestrian safety.



FURNISHINGS: BIKE RACKS, BENCHES, LIGHTING, TRASH RECEPTACLES, WAYFINDING, PLANTER POTS

The same furnishings as selected for Carson Street shall be used here. There is limited space for furnishings but the continuity will help create a downtown district. Existing planters and trash receptacles should be removed and replaced. Benches and bike racks should be added while additional wayfinding signs should be considered.





Estimates/Funding

- During the design phase (2015) of the Carson Streetscape project, we estimated the cost of the Curry Streetscape improvements and possible funding sources as:

Fund	Amount
Water Fund	\$ 267,000
Sewer Fund	\$ 115,000
Stormwater Fund	\$ 103,000
Streets Fund	\$ 625,000
Infrastructure Tax Fund	<u>\$ 851,000</u>
Total	\$1,961,000



Estimates/Funding

- Current estimate of Curry Streetscape and possible funding sources:

Fund	Amount	Amount With Additives
Water Fund	\$ 267,000	\$ 267,000
Sewer Fund	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000
Stormwater Fund	\$ 103,000	\$ 103,000
Streets Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0
Infrastructure Tax Fund	\$1,762,000	\$2,187,000
Redevelopment	<u>\$ 550,000</u>	<u>\$ 550,000</u>
Total	\$2,797,000	\$3,222,000

Based on the available funding outlined on the next slide, Staff recommends the project to include the additives.

Estimates/Funding



➤ Available funding from Infrastructure Tax Fund:

• Sales Tax Revenue FY 15 -18	\$2,273,511
• Bond Proceeds FY 15	851,000
• Project Savings / Bonds	<u>204,765</u>
Total	<u>\$3,329,276</u>

➤ Remaining projects within the plan of expenditures for the infrastructure tax fund to be funded with \$7 million in new bonds:

- South Carson Street
- North Carson Street
- William Street
- Community Center Remodel



Carson Street, Streetscape Improvements



Carson City Downtown Streetscape

Carson City, NV