

STAFF REPORT



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SUBJECT: **APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AUTHORIZE BID ADVERTISEMENT AND MAKE FINDINGS OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FOR MEASURE A GROUP 10 PAVEMENT REHABILITATION CIP PROJECT# 18-001, "NAVE DRIVE & BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD"**

REQUEST

Adopt a resolution approving the plans and specifications for the Measure A Group 10 Pavement Rehabilitation project (CIP Project Number 18-001), "Nave Drive & Bel Marin Keys Blvd", authorizing advertisement of bids, and finding that the project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities.

DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The City of Novato proposes pavement rehabilitation/ resurfacing to improve pavement quality on arterials and collectors as identified in the Pavement Management Program. Segments of these roads are identified as the highest priority for resurfacing work based on the existing Pavement Condition Index.

Street Name	Beg Location	End Location	Lanes	Functional Class	CAD-Length	ADT	TI	PCI
NAVE DRIVE	ALAMEDA DEL PRADO	BOLLING DR	2	A - Arterial	1,686	11,543	6	21
NAVE DRIVE	BOLLING DR	MAIN GATE RD	2	A - Arterial	1,922	11,439	6	47
NAVE DRIVE	MAIN GATE RD	STATE ACCESS RD	2	A - Arterial	1,194		7	34
NAVE DRIVE	STATE ACCESS RD	1200 FT N/O STATE ACCESS RD	2	A - Arterial	1,320		7	87
NAVE DRIVE	1200 FT N OF STATE ACCESS	ROBLAR DR	3	A - Arterial	1,169	21,493	7	56
NAVE DRIVE	ROBLAR DR	BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD	2	A - Arterial	1,090	25,755	7	84
BOLLING DRIVE	NAVE DR	MARIN VALLEY DR	2	C - Collector	261	9,834	6	7
BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD	NAVE DR	COMMERCIAL BLVD	2	A - Arterial	926	16,309	7	50
BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD	COMMERCIAL BLVD	DIGITAL DR	2	A - Arterial	663		7	57
BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD	DIGITAL DR	200 ft north of DIGITAL DR	2	A - Arterial	433	9,478	7	

Nave Drive and Bel Marin Keys Boulevard are both Major Collector streets that serve residential, commercial and recreational purposes in southern Novato. Nave Drive generally extends north from the intersection at Alameda Del Prado adjacent to the US 101 overcrossing about 1.5-miles before reaching the intersection with Bel Marin Keys Boulevard at the US 101 overcrossing. Nave Drive is bordered to the west by US 101 and to the east by light commercial developments, apartment complexes, Hamilton Elementary School, the Hamilton Market place shopping center, and other businesses. Bel Marin Keys Boulevard from Digital Drive to US 101 overcrossing (about 0.5-miles) is bordered by professional offices, light commercial developments, the Humane Society to the north and the Los Robles Mobile Home Park south east of the intersection with Nave Drive.

The project is within the existing City of Novato right-of-way (ROW) and Caltrans ROW. Work in the Caltrans ROW will require an encroachment permit from Caltrans.

Projects will consist of comprehensive pavement rehabilitation of the existing roadway. Where needed, localized repairs will be made by excavating up to 12” into the existing roadway material and replacing with asphalt. Along resurfaced streets, accessible curb ramps will be installed or upgraded per federal mandates. Work will also include replacement of traffic signal detection devices and removal and replacement of pavement striping and markings.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

There was one public workshop:

February 27, 2019, with three (3) attendees. Staff introduced the project and provided answers to questions from residents and businesses.

On December 5, 2017, the City Council held a public hearing and adopted a resolution prohibiting excavation for a period of five years following completion of the rehabilitation work on the streets included in this project.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Pursuant to Sections 15301 *Existing Facilities* - Subsections 15301 (c) and 15301 (d) of 2014 California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), it has been determined that this project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act as this project involves rehabilitation of existing roadway and upgrade accessibility features as mandated.

California Department of Transportation (delegated authority by the Federal Highway Administration) has determined that this project has no significant impacts on the environment as defined by National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and that there are no unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117 (c) activity (c) (26). As such, the project is categorically excluded from the requirements to prepare an EA or EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act.

FISCAL IMPACT

This project is included in the City of Novato Adopted Capital Improvement Program Budget for 2018/2019 in the total amount of \$1,934,480. This project is funded 80% by Surface Transportation Program (STP)/ One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program and 20% by local Senate Bill 1 Gas Tax and Infrastructure Long Term Maintenance funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution approving the plans and specifications, authorizing a bid advertisement and finding that the project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 *Existing Facilities* - Subsections 15301 (c) and 15301 (d) for the Measure A Group 10 Pavement Rehabilitation project (CIP Project Number 18-001).

ALTERNATIVES

1. Take no action at this time and provide direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution
2. Vicinity Map
3. CIP Budget Excerpt
4. Project Plans & Specifications – available in the City Clerk’s office