



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 4/26/2022

File #: 22-439

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Public Works

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Americans with Disabilities Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached plans and specifications for the Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2); and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to advertise the above-mentioned project as required by Section 22037 of the California Public Contract Code, with bids to be opened on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Humboldt County Road Fund (1200)

DISCUSSION:

On Sept. 7, 2016, the United States Department of Justice filed a consent decree requiring the County of Humboldt to comply with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and requiring that all county facilities meet current accessibility standards. In response to this consent decree, the County of Humboldt Department of Public Works (Public Works) employed the services of Mark Thomas and Company through its on-call agreement for design engineering services to prepare plans, specifications, and estimate for the construction of ADA-compliant curb ramps.

Due to the large number of non-compliant curb ramps throughout the county, the project was divided into phases. The first phase of the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project addressed a portion of the non-compliant curb ramps located in the unincorporated areas surrounding the City of Eureka, which include Cutten, Myrtle town, Rosewood, and Pine Hill. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors accepted the completed Phase 1 project on Jan. 5, 2021.

The second phase of the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project will address curb ramps that Public Works and the public have identified and prioritized through public meetings and correspondence. This contract is focused on the signalized intersections located on Central Avenue in McKinleyville and in

the unincorporated areas surrounding the City of Eureka. Nearby intersections are also included with the goal of providing accessible routes to schools and services. Future phases will expand these accessible routes and address non-compliant curb ramps that require the purchase of additional right of way.

Public Works recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached plans and specifications and advertise the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2).

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial commitment until the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2) is awarded. This project is being funded by the Humboldt County Road Fund (100%). The engineer's cost estimate for the project is \$1,306,665.

Expenditure appropriations related to completion of the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2) have been included in the approved Fiscal Year 2021-22 Road Fund Budget (1200321-2118). As a result, the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2) will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing for and maintaining infrastructure .

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

United States Department of Justice

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board of Supervisors may choose not to approve the attached plans and specifications for the ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2). However, this alternative is not recommended because the project will make significant progress in fulfilling the county's commitment to the United States Department of Justice to provide accessible curb ramps throughout Humboldt County.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2) Plans
2. ADA Curb Ramp Improvements Project (Phase 2) Special Provisions

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: I-1 / C-23 / C-9 / C-20

Meeting of: Nov. 13, 2018 / Feb. 5, 2019 / Apr. 9, 2019 / Jan. 5, 2021

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