

## RESPONSE TO COUNCIL QUESTIONS RE: 1/14/20 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

**Agenda Item #: 1.B**

**Title:** Approve the List(s) of Claims and Bills Approved for Payment by the City Manager

Council Question: Is the \$2.4 million to Golden State Fire Apparatus for the final delivery of the new engines, or is this a partial payment?

Staff Response: See response below.

Council Question: Please provide more information about the following payment: \$2,475,105.52 to Golden State Fire Apparatus

Staff Response: The \$2.4M is a partial payment for four Pierce fire pumper apparatuses. Council approved \$2,270,742 plus sales tax per RTC 18-0805. The purchase exceeded the PO amount and staff is planning to bring back the PO amendment to Council in Feb 2020 for the final payment amount, which has \$132,478.09 still remaining, with an explanation of the variance.

Council Question: Please provide more information about the following payments: TJKM for Engineering Services of \$91,884.57 on December 10 and for Consultants of \$31,121.65 on December 17.

Staff Response: The \$91,884.57 is a combination of a \$49,464.75 progress payment for the Traffic Engineering Services for the East Sunnyvale Sense of Place project, \$41,447.62 for Traffic Signal Upgrades, and \$972.2 for Signal Hardware and Wiring work at Hendy. A contract was awarded for these projects under three separate actions by Council. The sense of place work was awarded on June 11, 2019 (RTC 19-0532) in the amount of \$686,310, the Traffic Signal Upgrades on June 18, 2019 (RTC 19-0572) in the amount of \$467,145, and the work on Hendy on May 23, 2017 in the amount of \$115,347.

The payment of \$31,121.65 is a combination of \$29,581.65 for the Homestead High Bicycle and Pedestrian lane project and \$1,540 for the Sunnyvale-Saratoga Road Bicycle and pedestrian Safety Enhancements at Talisman project. Two contracts were awarded for these projects by Council. The Bicycle work on Homestead was awarded on January 15, 2019 (RTC 18-0982) in the amount of \$212,967 and the Sunnyvale-Saratoga bicycle work on May 3, 2016 (RTC 16-0263) in the amount of \$113,214.

Council Question: Please provide more information about the following payment: \$119,796.15 to ARI-HETRA

Staff Response: The payment is to purchase two separately specified and procured Heavy Duty Mobile Lift Systems for the Fleet Services Division. The payments were for \$68,612.27 and \$51,183.88 for the two distinct pieces of equipment.

**Agenda Item #: 3**

**Title:** Approve an Agreement with the Sunnyvale School District and Fremont Union High School District for a Joint Use Lakewood Branch Library and Learning Center at Lakewood Elementary School

Council Question: With the assumed approval of the joint use agreement for the library, what is the estimated timeline for the project to move forward?

Staff Response: The current estimate is for the design phase of the project (including environmental review) to begin April 2020, approximately three months after all parties approve the agreement, and is anticipated to take approximately 18 months. Community input will occur in the earlier part of the design phase. Construction is currently anticipated to start Spring 2022 and be completed in late 2023. Grand Opening target date is late 2023 or early 2024. This schedule is pending input from the architect (negotiations currently in progress).

Council Question: What barriers remain for design/construction/staffing?

Staff Response: There are currently no barriers to design or construction. The design contract with Anderson Brulee Architects (ABA) is currently being negotiated with anticipation of the contract being brought to Council for consideration in April 2020. We also don't foresee any barriers to staffing for the new Branch. We're currently holding vacancies open for several of these positions (including the Supervising Librarian). A planned reorganization of Library staffing will provide the flexibility to fill the remaining positions when the Branch opens.

Council Question: At the end of the day, actual project costs will certainly come in higher than the current estimate of \$28.3 million. And the overage will be Sunnyvale's responsibility. When was this cost estimate last updated and how realistic is it?

Staff Response: The last estimate was prepared by the architect in March 2019 as part of the preliminary stage to set programming. The architect will be responsible to provide cost estimates at to 30%, 60%, 90%, and 100% submittals. Staff will work with the architect and stakeholders (LCS, school districts) to refine scope, if necessary, should cost estimates trend higher than the available construction budget at each submittal stage.

Council Question: The cost estimate, minus reimbursements, is already over by \$1 million versus the Adopted Budget. Staff says a Budget Modification will happen later. Where will Staff propose the funding come from?

Staff Response: Staff is proposing to complete the design and do the construction procurement prior to modifying the final budget. It is anticipated that funding will come from the Capital Improvement Reserve in the General Fund, although the final funding mix between General Fund and Park Dedication Fund may change the overall sources of funding for the project.

**Agenda Item #: 5**

**Title:** Award of Bid No. PW20-05 to Joseph J. Albanese, Inc. for Fair Oaks Avenue Overhead Bridge Rehabilitation, Approve Budget Modification No. 15 in the amount of \$6,826,145, Award a Contract to Ghirardelli Associates, Inc., Amend the Contract with Biggs Cardosa Associates Inc., and Approve a Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board Amended Service Agreement

Council Question: It would be good to see the overview of the project (even though it was approved earlier, and this is just about the budget modifications required).

Staff Response: Please see Attachment 1 for a zoom-out and elevation view of the rehabilitated bridge. In addition, an architectural rendering of the bridge after construction completion is attached.

Council Question: What is the timing of the bridge rehabilitation with this latest approval? Will the old pedestrian bridge be open until the new improvements are complete?

Staff Response: The design consultant estimates 19 months for construction duration (subject to change pending contractor's actual sequencing). The existing pedestrian overcrossing will remain in place until the new pedestrian facilities on-bridge are built. Timing is likely the last three months of construction.

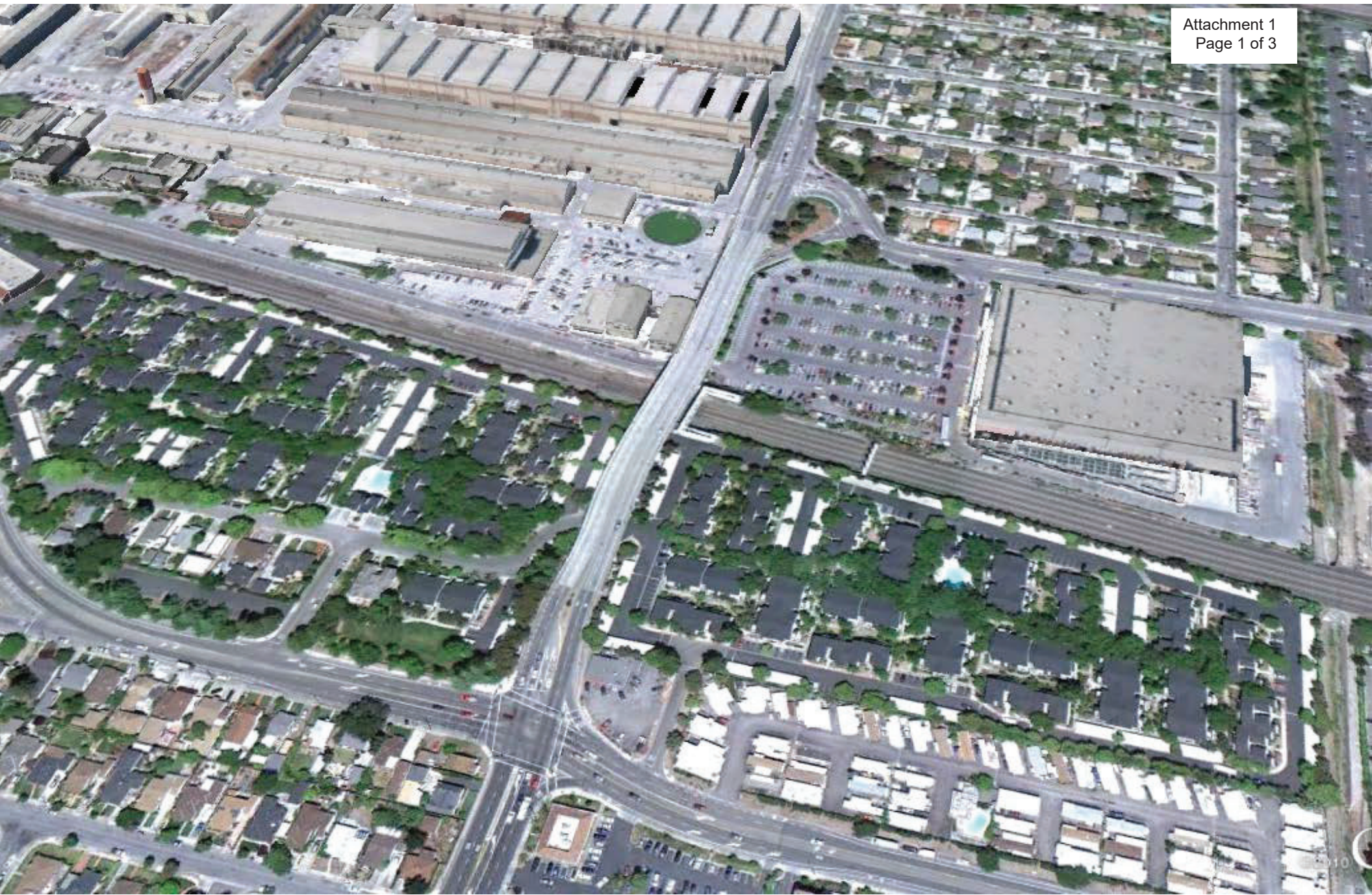
Council Question: Is the website [www.fairoaksbridge.com](http://www.fairoaksbridge.com) run by the City, and can it be updated since construction is expected to start soon?

Staff Response: Yes, the webpage is run by one of the design sub-consultants with oversight from the City and will be updated.

Council Question: Does Staff have any readily available information about the adjacent pedestrian bridge that will be removed, such as the year it was built and the cost?

Staff Response: The existing pedestrian overcrossing was built in 1967. Staff does not have information on initial build costs.







Architectural rendering of the Fair Oaks Bridge after construction

