

**City Council Memorandum** 

City of Arts & Innovation

# TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JANUARY 5, 2021

# FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARD: 7

### SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH FRIENDS OF THE RIVERSIDE AIRPORT, LLC FOR THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE JURUPA AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$322,126

# ISSUE:

Approve a Reimbursement Agreement with Friends of the Riverside Airport, LLC in the amount of \$322,126 for the construction costs associated with the Jurupa Avenue Street Improvements.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council:

- 1. Approve a Reimbursement Agreement with Friends of the Riverside Airport, LLC in the amount of \$322,126 for the construction costs associated with the Jurupa Avenue Street Improvements; and
- 2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Reimbursement Agreement with Friends of the Riverside Airport, LLC, including making minor, non-substantive changes.

#### BACKGROUND:

On April 8, 2003, in conjunction with the proposed construction of Jurupa Avenue extension between Van Buren Boulevard and Tyler Street, the City Council Authorized an Exchange, Disposition and Development Agreement (EDDA Agreement) for the exchange of 59.53-acre Agricultural Park (AG Parcel) owned by the City with a 61.80-acre site (FRA Parcel) owned by Friends of Riverside Airport, LLC. (FRA). The EDDA Agreement was executed and entered into on May 28, 2003 by the City of Riverside, FRA, Van Buren Golf Center, LLC and Riverside Gateway Plaza, LLC (RGP). FRA desired to trade the acquired land to the City for the Ag Park land so that they may build homes on the Ag Park site.

Under the EDDA Agreement, FRA was required to construct full street improvements for the Jurupa Avenue Extension Project within the Ag Park Parcel between Rutland Avenue and Crest Avenue as required by the General Plan, which designates Jurupa Avenue as a 110-Foot Major Arterial. The City, however, already had an approved project which would construct partial improvements consisting of a 20'-wide barrel of pavement consisting of one through traffic lane

and a bike lane in each direction, separated by a 46'-wide median along this segment of Jurupa Avenue.

The EDDA Agreement allowed FRA to construct the full improvements, subject to receiving reimbursement for the cost of the City's portion of the improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

On April 11, 2006, City Council approved the first amendment to the EDDA Agreement, which removed the \$300,000 reimbursement cap.

#### DISCUSSION

In February 2010, the Public Works Department completed the Jurupa Avenue Extension Phase I Project between Van Buren Boulevard to 610 feet westerly thereof which ties to the Jurupa Avenue improvements constructed under the development agreement.

The Jurupa Avenue Extension Project between Van Buren Boulevard and Tyler Street reduces traffic and congestions on Van Buren Boulevard and Arlington Avenue by providing a secondary arterial that directly connects to residential neighborhoods, Rutland Park, and collector roads. The extension project also allows emergency personnel to respond to incidents in a quicker and more efficient manner.

The EDDA Agreement was supported by the Public Works Department as it allowed the developer to construct its project and widen Jurupa Avenue between Rutland Avenue and Crest Avenue to include construction of median, curb, gutter, and sidewalk and tie those improvements to the twolane section that was previously constructed. The improvements were completed and accepted by the Public Works Department in December of 2020.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

The total construction costs to be reimbursed to the Friends of the Riverside Airport is \$322,126. Sufficient funds are available in the Jurupa Avenue Extension Project Account Numbers 9862430-440313 (Measure A Funds) and 9598427-440223 (Gas Tax Funds).

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| availability of funds:<br>Approved by: | Edward Enriquez, Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer<br>Rafael Guzman, Assistant City Manager |
| Approved as to form:                   | Kristi J. Smith, Interim City Attorney   |

Attachments: Sewer Reimbursement Agreement