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Memorandum

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Agenda Item 5.2

DATE: April 29, 2009

TO: Administration and Legislation Committee

FROM: Stephen Haas, Project Manager

SUBJECT: Route 84/ Ardenwood Boulevard Park and Ride Lot Project (Regional Measure 2 Project 29.5) Authorization for Additional Construction Contingency Funds

Action Requested
In support of delivering the construction phase of Ardenwood Park and Ride Lot project in Fremont, it is recommended that CMA Board Authorize an additional $220,000 in construction contingency funds. The additional funds will be used to construct City of Fremont mandated changes to project plans and to construct additional improvements requested by AC Transit.

Discussion
The Ardenwood Boulevard Park and Ride Lot Project will promote the use of Transbay (Dumbarton Bridge Corridor) transit services by expanding the capacity of the existing park-and-ride lot. The proposed project will expand the existing lot by 250 new parking spaces and add an on site bus stop.

Construction of the Park and Ride Lot began on September 18, 2008. Construction was suspended on November 19, 2008 pending issuance of a final building permit by the City of Fremont. A permit was issued on January 14, 2009. Construction of the Park & Ride lot has resumed and is scheduled to be completed in June 2009.

During the plan review performed as a part of their permitting process, the City of Fremont identified several items in the contract plans requiring changes before they could issue a building permit. These items will be incorporated through a Contract Change Order (CCO) and while a portion of these costs may be absorbed using previously authorized contingencies, it is necessary to replenish the contingency fund so that there are sufficient funds available to complete the work.

AC Transit has also requested that the scope of the proposed project be expanded to include the construction of a changeable message sign (CMS) on westbound SR 84, the installation of Next

Bus signs in the proposed bus shelters, intersection improvement at the entrance to the Ardenwood Terrace shopping center from Ardenwood Blvd., and the installation of restroom facilities for the use of AC Transit personnel (restrooms will not be open to the public). These items will be constructed via CCO to the current Park & Ride lot construction contract. A revised Initial Project Report has been prepared and MTC staff has reviewed the proposed changes. The MTC will grant approval at the May 27, 2009 Commission meeting.

This authorization of $220,000 will bring the total contingency funds to $380,000 and will allow for the construction of intersection improvements at the entrance to the Ardenwood Terrace shopping center, the construction of a restroom for AC Transit personnel, and for placing NextBus signs in the new Ardenwood Park & Ride Lot bus shelters. A summary of the contract change orders issued to date is attached.

Board authorization for construction of the CMS will be the subject of a future authorization request.

The previously approved construction management budget contains sufficient funds for managing the additional work. No increase in the construction management budget is necessary.

Financial Impact to the CMA Budget
The revenues and costs associated with this project have been incorporated in the CMA's currently approved budget and will be funded through Regional Measure 2 and BAAQMD Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) funds. No change to the CMA's approved budget is required.