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Memorandum

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Agenda Item 5.3

DATE: August 26, 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
It is recommended that the CMA Board take the following actions in support of construction of Regional Measure 2 Project 29.5: the Ardenwood Park and Ride Lot project in Fremont:

1. Authorize an additional $250,000 in RM2 funds for construction contingency. The additional funds will be used to reimburse the Contractor for additional work to improve bus circulation, to rehabilitate failing pavement and to provide security improvements.
2. Authorize an additional $100,000 in RM2 funds for construction management and authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to amend the existing construction management services task order with APM to provide continued construction management services through project completion.

Discussion
The Ardenwood Boulevard Park and Ride 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, add 250 new parking spaces, and an on site bus stop. The design and the right-of-way phases of this project are completed, construction of the Park & Ride Lot improvements are scheduled to be completed in October 2009.

Funding for this project is provided by Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Regional Measure 2 (RM2) funds and a grant from Alameda County Transportation Improvement Agency (ACTIA) Measure B funds.

Action 1:
It was previously requested that the scope of the proposed project be expanded to include the construction of a changeable message sign (CMS) on westbound SR 84, this was to be

constructed via Contract Change Order to the current Park & Ride lot construction contract. It now appears that the Park & Ride Lot will be fully utilized without the need for the CMS and it will not be added to the project scope.

In lieu of the CMS, AC Transit has proposed additional items of scope to improve lot operations:

1. Security enhancements. Several vehicles using the park & ride lot have been vandalized. To help improve the security of the lot, existing vegetation has been removed to improve sight lines and improved fencing along the perimeter of the lot will be constructed.
2. Pavement Rehabilitation. Existing pavement outside of the park & ride lot, yet within AC Transit's area of maintenance responsibility, is showing signs of distress. This pavement was not constructed for bus traffic and is expected to rapidly deteriorate further. The existing pavement will be removed and new pavement designed for bus loading will be constructed.

The additional allocation will also replace the project contingency fund, which was used to make the repairs necessary to improve bus circulation.

Action 2:
Construction of the Park and Ride Lot began on September 18, 2008 and was scheduled to be completed in April 2009. The project has been delayed several times and is now scheduled to be completed in October 2009. Construction management is being provided by Alameda Program Managers (APM) via task order. It is estimated that an additional $100,000 will be required to provide construction management through project completion. This additional allocation will raise the authorized amount for construction management to $500,000.

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. No change to the CMA's approved budget is required.