



Meeting Date: 3/14/2006

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Prepared By: Cynthia Daniels, AICP *CD* Agenda Item No. I-3  
 Reviewed By: City Manager *[Signature]* City Attorney *Kimbrell* Finance *PK* Other: Water *Emmert*

**DATE:** March 3, 2006

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Lou Balderrama  
City Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Design of Improvements to Ventura Road Under Highway 101 and Improvements to Vineyard Avenue Southbound On-Ramp on Highway 101

**RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council:

1. Approve the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$50,000 from the Water Bond fund balance to Ventura Rd/Hwy 101 capital improvement project for the design of the recycled water distribution line and the widening of Ventura Road under Highway 101.
2. Approve the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$50,000 from the Circulation System Improvement Fees fund balance to Vineyard Ramp/Hwy 101 capital improvement project for the design of the improvements for the Vineyard Avenue southbound on-ramp on Highway 101.

**DISCUSSION**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is constructing improvements on Highway 101 between Vineyard Avenue and the Montalvo Spur. Caltrans will rebuild one lane of Ventura Road in each direction to replace the paving destroyed during the construction of the highway widening. The City has the opportunity to design and pay Caltrans to widen Ventura Road to its full width between Wagon Wheel Road and the existing pavement on the north side of Highway 101. The ultimate width of Ventura Road is three lanes with curb and gutter in each direction, and a sidewalk on the east side. It is timely to do this work now because it will avoid the increased construction costs that would be incurred if the work were done separately later. The proposed project would also install the underground pipe for the recycled water line identified in the Recycled Water Backbone System Study, dated October 7, 2005. Installing the piping while the roadway is closed to traffic and before the installation of pavement will reduce potential disruption to the public and reduce the cost of the pipeline installation. The Water Division would fund the proposed project through the Groundwater Recovery Enhancement and Treatment (GREAT) Program.

The City also has the opportunity to design the improvements to permanently widen the Vineyard Avenue southbound on-ramp to Highway 101 for two lanes before the Vineyard to Montalvo improvements on Highway 101 are completed. Currently, the southbound on-ramp has two lanes that taper to one lane as a temporary improvement due to the construction of the Highway 101 improvements, including the Oxnard Boulevard interchange. Caltrans believes the on-ramp should return to the "pre-construction" condition of only one lane. If the City successfully persuades Caltrans to allow two permanent lanes, then the construction could be accomplished by the existing Caltrans contractor (if the contractor is still on site).

The goal in both cases is to prepare the design and have the existing contractor install the improvements. The City's consultant engineer, Washington Group International, would design both improvements as part of an existing design services contract.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Design services for both improvements would total \$100,000. The special budget will appropriate \$50,000 from the Circulation System Improvement Fees fund balance for the Vineyard Ramp/Hwy 101 project Account No. 354-31XX-826-8201 (0631XX) and appropriate \$50,000 from the Water Bond fund balance for the Ventura Rd/Hwy 101 project Account No. 607-31XX-826-8201 (0631XX). The request will establish two new, separate capital improvement projects. The staff will return at a later date with a request to fund construction.

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Attachment #1 - Special Budget Appropriation

**CITY OF OXNARD**  
**REQUEST FOR SPECIAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION**

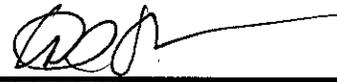
To the City Manager:

March 14, 2006

Request is hereby made for an appropriation of total . . . . . \$ 100,000

Reason for appropriation: Design of improvements to Ventura Road Under Highway 101 and improvements to Vineyard Avenue Southbound On-Ramp on Highway 101.

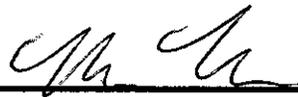
<u>FUND</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION/ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Circulation (354)	Vineyard Ramp/Hwy 101 354-31XX- (0631XX) 826-8201 - Serv-Architect/Engineering	<u>50,000</u>
	Net Estimated Change to Circulation Fund Balance	<u>(50,000)</u>
Water Bond (607)	Ventura Rd/Hwy 101 607-31XX- (0631XX) 691-7482 - Interest Income 826-8201 - Serv-Architect/Engineering	<u>(50,000)</u> <u>50,000</u>
	Net Estimated Change to Water Bond Fund Balance	<u>-0-</u>



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 Manager

REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE



Disposition

Transfer by Journal Voucher \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

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 City Manager

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