



Staff Report

Agenda Item No.

D-1

To: Imperial City Planning Commission

From: Othon Mora

Date: July 8, 2020

Project: Aten Road Bicycle Path From Puerto Vallarta Avenue to Dogwood Road Project

Summary:

Project Location: North Aten Road, Running East From Puerto Vallarta Avenue to Dogwood Road

Zoning: Residential Area (R-1 Single Family)

General Plan: **Existing:** Residential Single Family
Commercial Neighborhood

Environmental: Initial Study/Negative Declaration

Project Description:

The Aten Road Bicycle Path (i.e. Project) is proposed to extend from Puerto Vallarta Avenue to Dogwood Road. The Project consists of a 1.33-mile bikeway extending east-to-west on the north side of Aten Road. The alignment is a Class I bike path (paved right-of-way completely separated from the street) from Dogwood Road to Station (STA) 36+00 (0.82 mile) and a Class II bike path (bike lane within the shoulder of Aten Road) from STA 36+00 to Puerto Vallarta Avenue (0.51 mile). The Class I segment includes an 8-foot-wide asphalt bikeway bordered by a 3.0-foot wide strip of colored decomposed granite on the south, a 3.0-foot wide strip landscaped strip on the north and a 6-inch concrete free-standing curb the south side of the Class I segment for a total width of 14.5 feet. The Project is part of the Imperial Valley College Bike Path and is within City of Imperial right-of-way and Imperial Irrigation District (IID) documented deeded right-of-way extending 25 feet from the center of the Date Lateral 6 (Beltran pers. comm. 2020).

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): The City is the lead agency for the CEQA review of the project. The Development Review Committee and the Environmental Assessment Committee, reviewed an Initial Study/ Negative Declaration (IS/ND) for the subject project. The IS/ND determined that the proposed project would not result in any significant on effect on the environment.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Planning Commission approve Resolution No. PC2020-06 Adopting and Certifying the Negative Declaration for the Aten Road Bicycle Path From Puerto Vallarta to Dogwood Road Project.

RESOLUTION PC2020-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL ADOPTING AND CERTIFYING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ATEN ROAD BICYCLE PATH PROJECT BETWEEN PUERTO VALLARTA AVENUE AND DOGWOOD ROAD.

WHEREAS, The City is the lead agency for the CEQA review of projects; and

WHEREAS, a duly notified public hearing was held by the Planning Commission on July 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, upon hearing and considering all testimony and arguments, analyzing the information submitted by staff and considering any written comment received, the Planning Commission considered all facts relating to the request for the Initial Study/Negative Declaration.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Imperial as follows:

- A) That the foregoing recitations are true and correct; and
- B) The project has been reviewed in accordance with the requirements set forth by the City of Imperial for implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act; and
- C) There are no sensitive resources located within the area of the project or adjacent to the area of the project so as to be significantly impacted by the project; and
- D) That based on the evidence presented at the public hearing, the Planning Commission hereby Adopts and Certifies the Negative Declaration under the California Environmental Quality Act;

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Imperial, this July 8, 2020.

Planning Commission Chairman

ATTEST:

Planning Secretary