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CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
September 17, 2003

PROJECT: 800115, UNIVERSAL CITY SITE ENHANCEMENTS

CONTRACT: EN070 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE SERVICES

ACTION: APPROVE AN INCREASE IN PROJECT 800115 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$550,000 FOR PROCUREMENT OF SPECIALTY CONSULTANT TO PRESERVE AND INTERPRET THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES WITHIN CAMPO DE CAHUENGA CITY PARK

RECOMMENDATION

Approve an increase in the amount of \$550,000 to the life of project budget for Project 800115 Universal City Site Enhancements Project for environmental compliance services to preserve and interpret the archaeological resources within Campo de Cahuenga City Park increasing the total project budget from \$5,290,090 to \$5,840,090 and amend the FY04 budget to authorize a total FY04 expenditure of \$3,058,006.

Within Construction Committee authority: Yes No N/A

RATIONALE

This Board action seeks to provide an interpretative display of the existing archaeological remains of the Campo de Cahuenga structure. The display will consist of a replica of portions of the original tile and adobe brick structure. A walkway, fence and interpretative panels are also included with the display to assist the public in viewing the historical site. Because the display has historical and archaeological significance, a qualified environmental coordinator, Ultrasystems Environmental Inc., subcontracting with the long time Project Archaeologist Greenwood & Associates, and with Architect Gil Sanchez, is recommended to perform the work.

The interpretative display work stems from a local commitment to widen Lankershim Boulevard in front of Universal Studios and a federal commitment to mitigate impacts to historic resources. The proposed widening at Lankershim Boulevard takes place in the area where the original Campo de Cahuenga structure once stood and where archaeological remains can still be found.

The widening will not damage the existing archaeological remains, but instead will make access to the remains more difficult. State and Federal guidelines require that a mitigation plan be put in place when there is an impact to a historic resource. The interpretative display included in this board action is the mitigation plan.

It is noted that the interpretative display has met the concurrence from local representatives, consisting of the Campo de Cahuenga Historical Memorial Association, Universal Studios, and appropriate City of Los Angeles Departments including Bureau of Engineering, Bureau of Street Services, Department of Transportation, Department of Recreation and Parks, and Cultural Affairs. Final approval from State Historical Preservation Officer and Federal Transportation Administration is expected by late August 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approved Project Budget	\$5,290,090
This Action	<u>\$ 550,000</u>
Proposed Project Budget	\$5,840,090

The recommended board action above would increase the life of project budget from \$5,290,090 to \$5,840,090 as shown in Attachment A. Funding for Project 800115 will be from Proposition A or C bond funding. There is \$2,523,000 identified in the FY04 Capital Budget, within Cost Center 8510 for Project 800115. Additional funding of \$535,006 will be required in FY04 to fund this action.

Potential for Cost Recovery: Yes No N/A

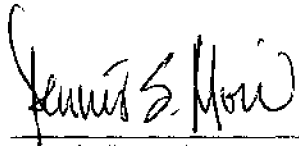
ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The MTA Board may reject this recommendation. Rejection will prevent MTA from complying with the 1989 Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report requirements and the 1994 Memorandum Of Understanding with Universal Studios and from legally constructing the widening of Lankershim Boulevard.

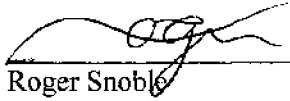
ATTACHMENT

A. Proposed Project 800115 Budget Increase

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ATTACHMENT A
PROJECT 800115 UNIVERSAL CITY STATION SITE ENHANCEMENTS BUDGET
PROPOSED PROJECT 800115 BUDGET INCREASE

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
ELEMENT	ORIGINAL BUDGET	JUNE 03 BOARD MODIFIED ACTION	JUN-03 BOARD ADOPTED BUDGET	SEP-03 PROPOSED ACTIONS	SEP-03 LIFE OF PROJECT BUDGET
T - Construction	\$2,621,190	\$1,400,000	\$4,021,190		\$4,021,190
1 - Guideways / Structures *					
3 - Environmental / Haz Mat Handling **	\$10,000		\$10,000	\$500,000	\$510,000
4 - Third Party / Utility Relocations ***	\$0				\$0
7 - Systemwide Equipment	\$0				\$0
9 - Testing and Operations	\$0				\$0
10 - OCIP	\$0				\$0
SUBTOTAL	\$2,631,190	\$1,400,000	\$4,031,190	\$500,000	\$4,531,190
S - Professional Services	\$20,000		\$20,000		\$20,000
11 - General Engineering	\$200,000		\$200,000		\$200,000
12 - Construction Management	\$50,000		\$50,000		\$50,000
13 - Specialty Services	\$253,900	\$140,000	\$393,900	\$50,000	\$443,900
19 - MTA Project Administration	\$523,900	\$140,000	\$663,900	\$50,000	\$713,900
SUBTOTAL	\$200,000	\$215,000	\$415,000	\$0	\$415,000
F - Utility / Force Accounts	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000		\$180,000
23 - Utility / Force Accounts	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000		\$180,000
24 - Project Contingency	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000		\$180,000
SUBTOTAL	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$0	\$180,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,355,090	\$1,535,000	\$5,290,090	\$550,000	\$5,840,090

* Includes adopted changes for Lankershim Blvd widening, excluding work on Campo De Cahuenga Park property

** Campo de Cahuenga Park restoration workscope

*** Reserve funds for two future replacement landscaped median islands along Lankershim Blvd.