



**DATE:** May 14, 2018

**TO:** Transportation Authority of Marin Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Dianne Steinhauser, Executive Director  
Dan Cherrier, Principal Project Delivery Manager

**SUBJECT:** Budget Increase for the Tam Junction Project (Action), Agenda Item No. 7b

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve an increase of \$15,000 in funds for construction cost increases for the Tam Junction Project associated primarily with unanticipated storm drain improvements. Funds are available from the Transportation Sales Tax Interest funds. These funds are available now.

**BACKGROUND:**

Construction work began in late August 2017 on the Tam Junction Bicycle Project and is nearing completion. The bike path has been open to users for over a month and appears to have met the expectations of the various users. This project constructed Class II bike lanes on both sides of Shoreline from Flamingo Avenue to the existing pathway near the Coyote Creek Bridge. Also, the Class II bike lanes were extended to Helen Avenue along Almonte Avenue and connect to the existing Almonte bike lanes. The project also included drainage improvements at the Almonte and Shoreline intersection to help improve periodic flooding.

The contractor is Ghilotti Brothers of San Rafael and Construction Management is being provided by 4-Leaf from Pleasanton.

**DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:**

The Tam Junction area has experienced changes over the last several decades with many utility upgrades and changing businesses in the area. The area is very congested and right of way is scarce. The project had initial challenges in fitting a bike path into the exiting roadway footprint.

Caltrans required that the existing traffic signal at Almonte Blvd and Shoreline Blvd not be modified in any manner. This led to a challenging design that has required conforming to many existing site conditions. Changes during construction have been made to meet Caltrans requirements onsite while still maintaining the project scope.

The TAM Board authorized \$70,000 of additional contingency in October, 2017, based on several construction issues, especially the wiring associated with the existing traffic signal. This amount may be

slightly short of what is needed as several out of contract items were required just prior to completion of the construction. This included new gas station price signs that had to be relocated and additional storm drain improvements. Costs associated with these final improvements are still being calculated, however, staff feel that an additional authorization of \$15,000 from the Transportation Sales Tax Interest account should be authorized to expedite the closeout process.

**FISCAL CONSIDERATION:**

This project has a variety of funding sources:

\$48,000 from CMA Planning for Preliminary Engineering;  
\$20,000 from TDA Article 3 for Environmental;  
\$205,000 from OBAG1 for Environmental, Final Design, and Design Support;  
\$80,000 from TFCA for Construction Management;  
\$420,000 from TAM Safe Pathways for Construction Capital and Construction Management; and  
\$178,000 from Measure A Reserve for Construction Capital and Right of Way.

**NEXT STEPS:**

Staff are working with the contractor and our Construction Management team to finalize all remaining punch list items. It is expected that the project will be totally complete by the end of May 2018.

**ATTACHMENTS:** None