

## RESOLUTION 2026-0083

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

April 14, 2026

### **I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000): Agreement for Advancement of Measure A Funds with Sacramento Transportation Authority, Supplemental Agreement, Budgetary Adjustments, and Environmental Mitigation Agreements and Surety**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The I Street Bridge Replacement Project is a once-in-a-generation investment that will construct a new movable bridge over the Sacramento River, linking the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento. This transformative project supports major transit-oriented and infill developments adjacent to the regional core, enabling the creation and revitalization of communities, jobs, and opportunities for employment, entertainment and recreation.
- B. The new bridge will enhance access to regional rail and transit facilities, major healthcare centers and riverfront amenities, while providing safe, direct routes for cyclists, pedestrians, emergency responders, and transit vehicles. The project will generate hundreds of high-paying construction jobs and stimulate regional economic growth. It is funded primarily through federal and state transportation programs.
- C. The federal Highway Bridge Program (HBP) provides funding for replacement of aging bridges. Caltrans has authorized \$250 million in HBP funds for construction of the I Street Bridge Replacement Project.
- D. The I Street Bridge Replacement Project was approved by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for grant funding from the 2024 Local Partnership Competitive Program and received \$25 million in construction funding at the June 27, 2025, Commission meeting. The funds were allocated to the project at the March 15, 2026 CTC meeting.
- E. Recent funding commitments will allow the City to begin construction in 2026. Because construction costs are expected to exceed the annual programmed reimbursement from grant funding, a financing agreement through the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) is necessary to maintain working capital for construction costs. Financing costs such as interest incurred by the City while borrowing funds are not grant fund eligible. This agreement will allow STA to begin procurement of financing agreements with lenders for City review and approval. Staff will return to the City Council later this year for approval of any specific financing contract award or financial commitment.

- F. Securing environmental mitigation is also required for the issuance of environmental permits allowing the project to begin construction. City staff and the project consultant team, have identified the most cost-effective mitigation banks for purchase of the required mitigation credits. Purchase agreements and reservations agreements are needed to meet the project's mitigation requirements.
- G. For reservation agreements, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) requires a surety in the amount of the full mitigation cost prior to permit issuance. This surety may come in the form of a line of credit, or fund deposit into an escrow account to which CDFW is a named party.
- H. Mark Thomas and Company was awarded a professional services agreement (City Agreement No. 2014-0244) in March 2014 to provide preliminary engineering, environmental clearance, and final design for the I Street Bridge Replacement Project. With the project entering the construction phase, a supplemental agreement is needed to provide design support and public outreach throughout the construction process.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to increase the revenue and expenditure budget of the I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000) by \$250,000,000 (Federal Capital Grants, Fund 3703).

**SECTION 2.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to increase the revenue and expenditure budget of the I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000) by \$25,000,000 (Other Capital Grants, Fund 3704).

**SECTION 3.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute the Agreement for Advancement of Measure A Funds with the Sacramento Transportation Authority for the I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000).

**SECTION 4.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute the Reservation Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Credits from the Hamilton Bend Mitigation Bank with Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC for the I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000) in an amount not-to-exceed

\$3,367,500.

**SECTION 5.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute the Credit Sale and Transfer Agreement with Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC (Zacharias Ranch) for the I Street Bridge Replacement Project (T15136000) in an amount not-to-exceed \$3,260,400.

**SECTION 6.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to establish a surety in the form of an escrow account or line of credit in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000,000 for mitigation costs identified by California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

**SECTION 7.**

The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 42 to City Agreement No. 2014-0244 with Mark Thomas and Company Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,518,458, bringing the agreement's total not-to-exceed amount to \$23,643,116.


Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on April 14, 2026, by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Dickinson, Guerra, Jennings, Kaplan, Maple, Pluckebaum, Talamantes, and Vang

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Mayor McCarty

Attest:  04/21/2026  

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Mindy Cuppy, City Clerk

*The presence of an electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the Sacramento City Council.*