

April 22, 1999

**To:** Board of Directors (Executive Committee—Action)

**From:** General Manager \_\_\_\_\_

**Submitted by:** Chief Engineer \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** Supplemental Agreement Between The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Riverside County for Acceptance of Relocated East Newport Road (Domenigoni Parkway) and Authorization to Enter into a Construction Contract Not to Exceed \$400,000 for Construction of Curbs and Related Drainage Facilities on Domenigoni Parkway

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

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It is recommended that the Board:

1. Authorize the General Manager to execute a supplemental agreement between The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) and Riverside County relating to completion of the improvements to relocated East Newport Road (Domenigoni Parkway) and acceptance of Domenigoni Parkway as a public road by the County; and,
2. Authorize the General Manager to enter into a construction contract not to exceed \$400,000 for construction of curbs and related drainage facilities on Domenigoni Parkway.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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As part of the development of the Eastside Reservoir Project, East Newport Road in Riverside County and the City of Hemet was required to be relocated. In 1994 Metropolitan entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Riverside County and the City of Hemet. The MOU required Metropolitan to construct a new roadway (Domenigoni Parkway) to replace East Newport Road in accordance with plans approved by the City and County and required the City and County upon completion of Metropolitan’s obligations, to vacate the existing East Newport Road and accept Domenigoni Parkway as a public road.

After completion of construction, erosion occurred along the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway. The County subsequently indicated that it will not accept the road until curbs and additional drainage structures are constructed. It is estimated that the required curbs and drainage structures can be completed for an amount not to exceed \$400,000. It is in Metropolitan’s interest to complete the conveyance of the road to the County as soon as practicable.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a Supplemental Agreement with Riverside County pursuant to which Metropolitan will provide curbs and

additional drainage structures along the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway and the County will promptly accept the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway as a public road.

It is further recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a construction contract to complete the required curbs and drainage structures in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

## **DETAILED REPORT**

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Metropolitan is currently constructing the Eastside Reservoir Project in Western Riverside County. Prior to Reservoir construction activities East Newport Road was a two-lane east-west roadway within the County of Riverside and the City of Hemet providing access to southern Hemet. The original right of way will be inundated when the Reservoir is filled.

In 1994 Metropolitan entered into an MOU with Riverside County and the City of Hemet for the vacation and relocation of East Newport Road. Pursuant to the MOU which included state funding secured by the County for an additional two lanes of paved roadway, Metropolitan constructed a new 7.1 mile, 4-lane road between State Street on the east and State Highway 79 on the west (now named Domenigoni Parkway) to replace East Newport Road. The road was constructed in accordance with designs approved by the City and County. The City required more extensive drainage structures along the portion of Domenigoni Parkway within the City than were required by the County. After completion of the road, there was erosion along the edge of that portion of Domenigoni Parkway within the County. The County determined that the drainage structures, as constructed along the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway, are not adequate and has required the construction of curbs and additional drainage structures as a condition precedent to acceptance of the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway as a public road.

It is in Metropolitan's best interest to have Domenigoni Parkway accepted as a public road as soon as practicable so that title to Metropolitan's property can be cleared and the expenses and potential liability inherent in owning and maintaining the road terminate. The County has indicated its willingness to accept Domenigoni Parkway upon Metropolitan's construction or obligation to construct the required curbs and drainage facilities.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a Supplemental Agreement with Riverside County pursuant to which Metropolitan will provide curbs and additional drainage structures along the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway and the County will promptly accept the County portion of Domenigoni Parkway as a public road.

It is further recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to enter into a construction contract to complete the required curbs and drainage structures along Domenigoni Parkway in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

## **CEQA COMPLIANCE/ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

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Metropolitan's Board of Directors certified the FEIR for the Eastside Reservoir Project in October 1991. Metropolitan has certified a Supplemental Environmental Impact Report and prepared Addendum Nos. 1,2,3 and 4 to address minor modifications to the Project. The existing

environmental documentation fully analyzes the relocation of East Newport Road and the construction of Domenigoni Parkway. No additional environmental documentation is required for the proposed curbs and drainage structures.

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