

As part of the Environmental Reconnaissance to identify potential major impacts, is there NEPA compliance? Should we use the City's CEQA checklist?

Without knowing the funding sources for project construction, and the possibility that some of the funding may be provided by Federal sources, the consultant should use both the CEQA and NEPA checklists. The intent is to form the basis for the initial study.

Are cover and divider pages part of the total 30-page count?

Staff has agreed that the front and back covers and divider pages will not be included in the 30-page limit. Also, City required forms will not be included in the count.

Are letter of Commitment considered to be forms? Could letters of Commitment not be included in the 30-page maximum limit?

Staff agrees that the Letters of Commitment will not be included in the 30-page limit.

What liberties do we have with the community's recommendations in the prior report?

The recommendations from the prior community workshops, as well as recommendations that may arise from a new round of community-based workshops, should form the basis for analysis.

Is the cost of producing and distributing community materials part of the consultant's budget and responsibilities? Can the City web-site be used for distribution of information?

Yes, the cost of producing and distributing materials for community workshops is the responsibility of the consultant. The City's web page can also be used for distribution of information, but must be coordinated with the City IT professionals.

Is it the City's preference to use a specialized firm for community outreach?

The consultant team will be evaluated in its entirety, and the team may include specialists.

Is City staff's role primarily managerial and administrative on this project, or can the consultant rely on staff to perform certain functions? Will staff be responsible for logistic support?

Staff will participate in the meetings as well as reviewing materials. Staff will coordinate logistic support if City facilities are used, but will not be responsible for determining when or where the meetings will occur, the size of facility needed, or assume the costs of providing notice or the expense of refreshments.

Would the consultant be responsible for fees toward the traffic modeling?

The project will include the base year forecast and roughly calibrating the model. The consultant will not be required to pay SANDAG for SANDAG's work performing the model calibration.

Is there a preferred scale for the aerial survey work?

The City will be working with a company which produces 360-degree digital photographs with GPS capability at a 3-inch resolution, to produce a "virtual" field tour of the City streets, and will be available for the consultant to use. For more information, please visit www.atcity.com.

The SANDAG memo references a BRT route from Mission Valley through the project area to downtown. Will the consultant be looking at the proposed route comprehensively?

The purpose of the analysis is to determine the potential for system efficiencies and travel time savings. The consultant should anticipate the continued use of standard transit service changing to an express route and eventually accommodating the BRT.

How many members will be on the selection committee? What role will UPI play in the process?

The selection committee will be comprised of at least six members and will include the UPI. It is anticipated that UPI will continue to play a role when reviewing materials and evaluating revisions and final products. The selection committee will include City staff, UPI, SANDAG staff, CALTRANS and community representatives.

What is the Planning Department's official name?

The official name is City Planning and Community Investment.

What are the northern and southern boundaries of the study area?

The study area boundaries extend from Washington Street on the north, to Cedar Street on the south. The consultant may propose expanding the boundaries if the need to do so is exhibited.

Will you put on the website the list of today's sign-in sheet?

Yes. (attached to this Q&A)

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