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MILITARY & WEST 7TH STREET TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SET TO BEGIN MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020

Benicia, CA (May 13, 2020) — The City of Benicia recently awarded a \$366,043 construction contract to W. Bradley Electric, Inc. of Novato for traffic signal improvements at Military & West 7th Street from Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) grant funds.

“This grant project and its improvements have been long awaited and will greatly improve traffic and pedestrian safety in the area,” said Public Works Director William Tarbox.

The Highway Safety Improvement Program is one of the core federal-aid programs in the federal surface transportation act, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, which was signed into law on December 4, 2015. The purpose of the program is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-State-owned public roads. HSIP grant funds are eligible for work on any public road or publicly owned bicycle or pedestrian pathway or trail that improves the safety for its users.

The project consists of signal and pedestrian crossing upgrades. Work includes replacing two traffic signal poles to provide protected left turn phases on Military West. Work also includes updating curb ramps to meet American’s with Disability Act (ADA) accessibility standards, upgrades to traffic signal controllers to improve signal timing, and high visibility striping at five crosswalks.

The traffic signal improvement project work will begin Monday, May 18, 2020 and will be completed by July 10, 2020. Work will be scheduled between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Efforts will be made to minimize impacts to residents, businesses and the traveling public in the area.

Please contact Project Engineer Danny Urrutia at 707.746.4374 or email durrutia@ci.benicia.ca.us with questions or comments.

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