

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JASON NUTT, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

SUBJECT: ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 (SB1)
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING BUDGET AMENDMENT

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council by resolution, amend the fiscal year (FY) 2017-18 adopted capital improvement program budget to appropriate \$992,535 of SB1 funding, subject to availability, to the project identified as Fulton Road Reconstruction - Occidental Road to West Third Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In August 2017, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) adopted the final FY 2017-18 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB1). The passage of SB1 established a Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) that requires local agencies to demonstrate that SB1 funds are amended into the City's adopted FY 2017-18 budget and reported to the CTC by October 16, 2017. The RMRA funds will be provided to cities on a monthly basis, with the first installment anticipated in January 2018. The League of California City's *CaliforniaCityFinance.com* webpage has estimated that Santa Rosa will receive a total of \$992,535 for FY 2017-18.

This resolution supports one of the City Council's tier 1 top priorities 1.3 – create a plan to address infrastructure and deferred maintenance throughout the community.

BACKGROUND

1. In August 2017, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) adopted the final FY 2017-18 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB1) reporting guidelines for local streets and road funding. The passage of SB1 established a Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) that requires local agencies to demonstrate that SB1 funds are amended into the City's adopted FY 2017-18 budget and reported to the CTC by October 16, 2017.

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2. The RMRA funds will be provided to cities on a monthly basis, with the first installment anticipated in January 2018. The League of California City's *CaliforniaCityFinance.com* webpage has estimated that Santa Rosa will receive a total of \$992,535 for FY 2017-18.
3. SB1 will once again enable cities and counties to address significant maintenance, rehabilitation and safety needs on the local street and road system.
4. The 2016 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment found that the condition of local streets and roads on average was "at risk" and would continue to degrade without an infusion of new funding.
5. The City is responsible for maintaining 505 center line miles of local streets and roads, with streets varying from two-lane (residential) streets to six-lane (arterial) streets. With an annual average maintenance budget of approximately \$5.4 million dollars, Santa Rosa's three-year average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) has steadily declined to 60, at the line between "good" and "fair" condition, with the Bay Area average PCI being 66 or "good". Recent evaluation with our pavement management program has concluded that we should be spending at least \$18 million per year just to maintain the existing pavement conditions at 60.
6. The City anticipates that SB1 will generate an additional \$3.9 million in additional road maintenance funds once fully implemented. Even with this new funding, we are still left with a shortfall of approximately \$10 million annually.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On December 3, 2013, the City Council conducted a study session to obtain an update on the pavement asset management and funding.

There have been several updates on the state of the City's pavement condition and financial deficiencies, with the most recent occurring as a discussion prior to the June 2015 election for the Sonoma County's Measure A.

On June 7, 2016, staff presented an update on the state of the City's pavement condition and financial deficiencies as part of the Neighborhood Streets Initiative.

ANALYSIS

To be eligible for funding, Santa Rosa must provide evidence to the CTC by October 16, 2017, that it has amended City's FY 2017-18 capital improvement program budget to include a list of project(s) planned to be funded with RMRA funds. This will be an ongoing annual requirement for the City to remain eligible for the funds. The approved project list within the capital improvement program must include the four statutorily-required elements for each project:

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1. Location
2. Description
3. Estimated useful life
4. Anticipated construction date.

In 2004, the City Council by Resolution No. 25989 adopted the FY 2004-05 Capital Improvement Program which included Fulton Road Reconstruction - Occidental Road to West Third Street.

Staff is requesting that the FY 2017-18 allocation of \$992,535 from RMRA be appropriated to the Fulton Road Reconstruction - Occidental Road to West Third Street.

This project will reconstruct Fulton Road between Occidental Road and West Third Street using roller compacted concrete technology, updating pedestrian ramps to current ADA standards and maintaining existing Class II bicycle lanes. The reconstructed roadway will improve safety and reduce ongoing maintenance costs. The estimated useful life of the planned improvements is expected to be twenty (20) years.

Based on anticipated receipt of funds from RMRA, the project is expected to be released to bidders in Spring 2018, with project construction completed in early Fall 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this action does not have an impact on the general fund. The SB1 funds will be leveraged with non-general funds to close the funding shortfall needed to construct the project.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not Applicable

ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution

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