

City of Costa Mesa Agenda Report

File #: 22-680 Meeting Date: 5/17/2022

TITLE:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 FUNDED BY

SENATE BILL 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

PRESENTED BY: RAJA SETHURAMAN, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-xx, approving Sunflower Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project for funding with Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) revenues for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), was passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in April 2017 to address the significant multi-modal transportation funding shortfalls statewide. SB 1 increased several taxes and fees to raise billions of dollars annually in new transportation revenues. Moreover, SB 1 provides for adjustments for inflation every year so that the purchasing power of the revenues does not diminish as it has historically.

SB 1 prioritized this funding towards critical maintenance, rehabilitation, and safety improvements on state highways, local streets and roads, and bridges, and to improve the state's trade corridors, transit, and active transportation facilities.

As part of SB 1's various accountability and transparency measures, and according to the California Transportation Commission's (CTC) Reporting Guidelines for Local Streets and Roads Funding Program, the City is required to submit annually a proposed project list to the CTC by July 1st of each year and subsequently provide year end updates on the progress and expenditures of previously proposed projects by October 1st of each year.

ANALYSIS:

It is estimated the City will receive \$2,570,782 from RMRA funding in FY 2022-23. To be eligible for funding, the City must submit a proposed project list to the CTC by July 1, 2022, along with an adopted resolution documenting the City Council's approval of the project proposed to be implemented with specific RMRA funding allocations. The City is proposing that the FY 2022-23 RMRA funding be allocated towards construction of the following new street improvement project that

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would not have otherwise been funded:

• **Sunflower Avenue** Pavement Rehabilitation Project (Harbor Boulevard to Bear Street)

The City will work on improving Sunflower Avenue between Harbor Boulevard and Bear Street. In addition to roadway rehabilitation, the project will enhance bicycle facilities and pedestrian access within Costa Mesa portion of the street. The proposed RMRA funding, programmed for the construction phase, will enable the transition of Sunflower Avenue to be a more complete street that promotes Active Transportation.

SB 1 requires that the project list include the following components: description and location of the proposed project, proposed schedule for its completion, and the estimated useful life of the improvement. The required project components are reflected in the proposed resolution.

This improvement project will benefit all the residents and businesses in the community, and will be included in the FY 2022-23 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget for City Council adoption.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council may elect not to adopt the proposed resolution. Staff does not recommend this action, as it would result in continued deterioration of Sunflower Avenue and potentially more expensive repairs if continually deferred, as well as deferral of the bicycle and pedestrian improvements.

FISCAL REVIEW:

The City anticipates receiving \$2,570,782 in FY 2022-23 from RMRA funding based on the January 2022 State Department of Finance statewide RMRA revenue projections. The approved project will be included in the FY 2022-23 proposed CIP budget.

LEGAL REVIEW:

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed the report, prepared the resolution, and approves them as to form.

CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND PRIORITIES:

This item supports the following City Council goal:

Maintain and enhance the City's infrastructure, facilities, equipment and technology.

CONCLUSION:

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