

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 16, 2019

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: FY2019-20 PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE ROAD MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION ACCOUNT CREATED BY SENATE BILL 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 – RESOLUTION

ISSUE:

Adopt a resolution approving the FY2019-20 Project List to be completed utilizing the projected revenues from FY2019-20 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account created by Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt a resolution approving the FY2019-20 Project List to be completed utilizing the projected revenues from the FY2019-20 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account created by Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

BACKGROUND:

On April 28, 2017, the California Governor signed Senate Bill 1, which is referred to as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB-1), to address basic road maintenance, rehabilitation and critical safety needs on both the state highway and local streets networks. SB-1 is funded by the gallon fuel excise taxes, diesel fuel sales taxes, and vehicle registration fees. Taxes may adjust in future years proportionally to inflation.

The California State Controller's Office deposits various portions of these revenues into the State's Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA). A percentage of the RMRA funds is apportioned by formula to eligible cities and counties pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2032(h) as part the SB-1 Local Street and Roads Program (LSRP).

SB-1 guidelines include accountability and transparency provisions that will ensure the public is aware of the projects being completed utilizing the RMRA funds each fiscal year. Any jurisdiction receiving RMRA funds must adopt by resolution a list of projects anticipated to be completed.

The project list does not limit the flexibility of the City to fund projects in accordance with the City's needs and priorities so long as the projects are consistent with the SB-1 program priorities, which include projects associated with road maintenance and rehabilitation, safety, railroad grade separations, complete streets, and traffic control devices.

DISCUSSION:

LSRP will enable the City to complete more essential road maintenance and rehabilitation projects. The State Department of Finance estimates the City of Riverside will receive \$5,393,516 in FY2019-20 RMRA funds (attachment 1). The estimated RMRA funds are included in the City's two-year budget cycle for FY2018-19 and FY2019-20.

Per LSRP guidelines, the Resolution (attachment 2) provides the list of projects to be completed utilizing the RMRA funds. The Project List must include a description and the location of each proposed project, a proposed schedule for the project's completion, and the estimated useful life (attachment 3).

The Project List for the FY2019-20 LSRP includes maintenance improvements to 2.97 miles of arterial streets and 4.20 miles of local streets. The traffic safety projects include modifications to two existing traffic signal systems, installation of a new traffic signal system, installation of new rapid flashing beacon systems at 10 intersections, pedestrian High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) signal systems at three intersections, and the construction of a merging lane at an intersection. All projects listed are scheduled to be completed by September 2020.

Traffic signal modifications include replacing equipment cabinets, signal rewiring, controller upgrades, and new cabinet foundations when required. HAWK signals are pedestrian beacons designed to stop traffic flow to allow pedestrians to cross roadways safely. Rectangular rapid flashing beacons enhance safety by reducing crashes between vehicles and pedestrians at unsignalized pedestrian crossings by increasing driver awareness. Constructing separate merge lanes reduce overall intersection delay thereby reducing emissions and congestion.

The maintenance improvements generally include asphalt resurfacing, reconstruction of damaged concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and driveways, replacement of pedestrian ramps that are not compliant with the current provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, and replacement of signing and striping as required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of this action is an estimated \$5,393,516 in FY2019-20 RMRA funds which are included in the Special Gas Tax Fund FY2019-20 adopted budget. The FY2019-20 Public Works Department Capital Improvement Program will receive the \$5,393,516 by satisfying the SB-1 funding provisions which includes the adoption of this Resolution.

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Attachments:

- 1. Projected FY 2019-20 RMRA Revenues
- 2. Resolution
- 3. FY 2019-20 Project List